

Sinking of Laconia "The Overt Act"

Destruction of Cunard Liner With Loss of American Lives

Looked Upon by American Government as a Clear Cut Violation of American Rights

20 KILLED IN REAR-END CRASH--STEEL COACH CUT IN TWO

ALTOONA, Pa., Feb. 27.—At least 20 persons were killed when the east bound Mercantile Express on the Pennsylvania railroad was run into shortly after midnight by a fast freight, the little mountain town of Mount Union, 43 miles east of here. Several others were injured. Those most seriously hurt were taken to Huntingdon, 12 miles west of Mount Union.

Freight Crashed Into Express

The express train had stopped to discharge passengers at Mount Union and members of the crew were testing the airbrakes when, without warning the heavy freight crashed into the passenger train from the rear. A dense fog prevailed.

There were three sleepers attached to the Mercantile Express, all of steel construction. As the freight engine, backed by a heavy train plowed into the passenger train the rear coach of the latter telescoped the second passenger coach which was split asunder by the terrific impact. The freight engine was literally welded to the passenger car. None of the coaches left the track but six of the freight cars coal laden were hurled down a 40-foot embankment.

Cars Massed Together

Little headway could be made in reaching the dead and injured owing to the three sleeping coaches being almost inextricably massed together. An

examination of the wreck showed that the third sleeper had split apart and that the car ahead was forced clear through it, while the third car from the rear of the train had plowed into the second car. The telescoping of the cars was of such force and character

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BIG DROP IN FOOD PRICES

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Food boycotts by retailers and consumers and a rush of foodstuffs into the city forced a perceptible drop in prices today.

"Three things have brought about the break in prices," said Commissioner of Weights and Measures Hartigan today, "the law of supply and demand, publicity and fear of governmental action."

The Honey Boy Quartet will assist Peter MacQueen at Colonial hall, tomorrow night, benefit of the Children's Home. A big attendance is expected.

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The Sun is on sale every day at both news stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

TEN AMERICANS LOST IN SINKING OF BIG CUNARDER

Opposition in Congress to Giving Pres. Wilson Broad Authority to Deal With U-Boat Menace—Republicans Favor Modifying the Phrase "Other Instrumentalities" — Official Report on Deaths of Americans

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The sinking of the Laconia with the loss of American lives is looked upon by the American government as a clear cut violation of American rights, according to an authoritative expression of opinion obtained after a conference between President Wilson and Secretary Lansing. No further investigation is considered necessary.

Report 10 Americans Lost

While details of the deaths of ten Americans in the unwarmed destruction of the Laconia began coming in today, the opposition in congress to giving President Wilson the broad authority to deal with the submarine menace began taking definite form and showed considerable strength.

At the White House it was made known authoritatively that the destruction of the Laconia was a clear cut and ruthless violation of American rights and life; a demonstration of what might be expected in the future, of sufficient force to hurry congress into clothing the president with full authority to meet the peril.

Nevertheless, the house foreign affairs committee, after debating the Flood bill which has the backing of the president decided that the broad powers to be conferred by the use of the phrase "other instrumentalities" should be modified so that the president should be limited to using the "naval forces of the United States, including the naval militia."

In the senate foreign relations committee republicans voted solidly against giving the president blanket authority and it was reported they drew support from three democrats, Senators Stone, Hitchcock and O'Gorman.

No formal action was taken in either committee and while the house committee was in all-out effort until this afternoon, Chairman Flood took to the White House proposed amendments, including one to prohibit arming of ships carrying munitions or contraband, and another to limit the president's authority.

Administration officials considered the attitude of congress in the face of the Laconia case of sufficient importance to discuss sending an official report on the killing of the Americans to congress in some official way.

patches confirming reports of the death of Americans on the Laconia, torpedoed without warning, established the case as "the overt act."

The view prevailed that the sinking of the Laconia should hasten action by congress. The first step of the government, it is indicated, will be to furnish American ships with guns and gunners for defensive purposes

WAS ROBBED BY MEN HE BEFRIENDED

FREDERICK A. GROVES LOST WATCH AND MONEY—POLICE COULD CASES

Frederick A. Groves while trying to

prove that he was a good Samaritan was touched for a watch and \$1.76 in money. Meeting Walter Smith and John Frayne on the street he took them into his room, but it was a case of the first man up was the best dressed man. Frayne made a getaway during the early part of the morning and Smith left a short time later and when Groves awoke he found that his timepiece and money were missing. He reported the matter to the police and Sergt. Petrie, who was assigned to the case, got a clue which led him to Dummer street. He saw Smith and Frayne together but it was evident they knew him for after getting a glimpse at him they started to run. Frayne got away but later Smith was arrested. Smith was arraigned in police court this morning and was ordered to pay a fine of \$20.

House of Correction

When the case of George Georgiulis was called, the complaint of non-support having been made by his wife, Rev. Panos G. Giorios said that he had been speaking with the woman this morning and that the differences between the couple had been settled. When questioned the woman denied that she had agreed to a settlement. After stating her case she said that she had no faith in her husband and when he was called to testify he appeared indifferent and didn't care

and insure them in the government war risk bureau.

On the basis of the official reports the sinking of the Laconia is regarded as another Lusitania case in principle, even though fewer lives were lost.

President Wilson, it was said today, is opposed to calling an extra session of congress unless it is absolutely necessary. Word has been conveyed to

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whether he was sent away or not and just for that Judge Enright imposed a sentence of three months in the house of correction. After sentence was announced the defendant changed his mind and entered an appeal.

Charles A. Johnson, it was alleged, threatened his wife, Mary E., saying: "I will get you yet." Owing to family differences divorce proceedings are in progress, but the court found that even if such was the fact the defendant had no right to threaten his wife and ordered him to recognize in the sum of \$200 to keep the peace for six months.

Joseph S. Kennedy was charged with larceny from the A. G. Pollard Co. and received a suspended sentence.

Samuel Pappas has not been caring for his wife lately and when he appeared before the court this morning he was ordered to pay a fine of \$25.

The case of John Coyle, charged with threatening, was continued for one week by agreement.

Michael Burke admitted that he had been imbibing more freely than wisely in intoxicating liquors and was willing to go to jail in order to recuperate. He was sentenced to thirty days in the Thorndike street mansion.

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CITY COUNCIL WILL GIVE STILES HEARING ON HIS REMOVAL

The municipal council this morning voted to give Andrew G. Stiles a hearing on his removal from the office of city treasurer on Thursday morning at 11 o'clock. The date was set following the receipt of a communication from Mr. Stiles asking for more time in which to prepare his case, that he might answer the charges preferred against him. Mayor O'Donnell and Commissioner Donnelly favored an ex-

tension of the time and the mayor made a motion that two more weeks be granted Mr. Stiles. This motion was defeated, three to two. Commissioner Brown then moved that Thursday be the date set for a hearing and that Mr. Stiles be so notified. This motion passed, the same ratio of three to two prevailing.

Angus A. MacDonald, state inspector

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ATTEMPT TO KIDNAP MRS. SKEFFINGTON

CHICAGO REPORT SAYS THAT ACT TOOK PLACE IN LOWELL

A reporter who interviewed Mrs. Sherry Skeffington in Chicago quotes her as saying that while in this city an attempt was made to get her on a train to Canada. The story goes on to say that Mrs. Skeffington was met at the station in Lowell upon her arrival.

Stock Market Notes

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Latest aspects of the international situation were plainly reflected in the lower end of the market today. The market opened on the decline and the downward movement was accentuated by the news of the sinking of the Laconia and renewal of recent pressure against New Haven, which reacted 2 1/2 points. Other rails were only occasionally quoted and the entire list drifted with the approach of midday. Foreign exchange was featured by another break, three to the new low record of 7.48. Bonds were steady.

Cotton Futures

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Cotton futures opened quiet and steady. March, 16.40; May, 16.40; July, 16.39; October, 16.37; December, 16.37.

Houston Market

BOSTON, Feb. 27.—An improved tone developed in the early trading on the local exchange today. Coppers were especially strong and showed appreciable gains in the initial transactions.

For closing prices of all active stocks see next edition.

No Peace Without Victory

No Peace Without
CO-NATIONALISM

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al here by a man and woman, whom she supposed to be part of the reception committee. She said, according to the story, that they urged her to board another train on the point of departing and that being quite unfamiliar with the place she was about to do as the real reception committee came along and she was then informed, she said, that the train just leaving the station was bound for Canada.

Mrs. Skeffington was the guest of Mayor James E. O'Donnell and Mrs. O'Donnell while in this city and if anything of the kind happened, it is strange Mrs. Skeffington did not mention it and the mayor says she didn't.

LOCAL NEWS

The members of Hose 10 in Pawtucketville were called to the new Pawtucket bridge at 8.25 o'clock this morning to extinguish what was supposed to be a fire. Steam pipes used to heat the stone for the mixture of concrete caused a show of steam and an excited person sent a telephone to the fire station. There was no fire, neither was there any damage.

At 10.50 o'clock Hose 12 was called to the Alken street ramp to attend to one of those periodical fires.

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WOMEN READY FOR WAR SERVICE IN WAR CRISIS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The appointment of a committee headed by Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, president of the National Woman Suffrage association to act as an intermediary between the government and the associations of two million members in the event their services should be needed in a war crisis, was announced today. This step is the result of a mass meeting here Sunday under the auspices of the association when its entire membership was pledged to the government to aid in war work if the need arises.

THE FOOD SITUATION IN PORTO RICO SERIOUS

SAN JUAN, P. R., Feb. 26.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press)—The serious situation of the question of food supply in Porto Rico that Gov. Vager this week called together the sugar and other large planters of the island and urged them to devote a portion of their lands already under cultivation to the raising of beans and other vegetables and fruits for home consumption.

In the event of a war in which the United States became involved, the governor told the planters, communication between the island and New York would be interrupted, paralyzing commerce and depriving the people of the necessities of life almost all of which now are imported. He said that at present the prices of all staples were so high that it was next to impossible for the poor man to live.

SPEEDY MOBILIZATION OF FLEET OF STEEL TUGS

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Marine superintendent of railroads with headquarters in this city today considered plans for the speedy mobilization for government use of the big fleet of steel constructed tugboats in New York waters. Many owners of vessels also prepared to put their craft into commission immediately for patrolling, mine sweeping, mine

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5 Stamps Free with 1 Package Tapioca 10c
5 Stamps Free with 2 Packages Washing Powder 10c
5 Stamps Free with 2 Packages Jiffy-Jell 25c
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And Many Other Stamp Specials All Day Wednesday.

FIVE FREE STAMPS to every stamp collector presenting her book. Double and extra stamps all this day.



MAN SHOT IN SUPERIOR COURT

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 27.—Amerigo E. Soriero was shot in the leg this morning in Judge Barrows' room in the superior court by Mary Guggiucci.

The shooting took place immediately following the completion of the testimony of her husband, John Guggiucci, who was testifying in an equity suit over a mortgage foreclosure. The accused woman was grasped by sheriffs and the smoking revolver taken from her grasp. To effect the shooting she was forced to stand and fire over the heads of attorneys and a handwriting expert. In doing this her aim was poor and resulted in the bullet taking a downward course, entering the man's leg. The injury is not serious.

50 INVALIDED RUSSIAN SOLDIERS KILLED

LONDON, Feb. 27.—A train carrying 228 invalided Russian soldiers, who were on the way home from Germany through Sweden, went off the track late last night between Gefle and Soderham, says an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Stockholm. The first car, carrying 23 insane Russian soldiers was demolished and all its passengers were killed. About 25 persons in other cars were killed.

The work of rescue was made difficult by the condition of the passengers, most of whom were blind, had lost arms or legs or were otherwise rendered incapable of helping themselves. Their hardships were increased by the fact that the wreck occurred in darkness at a distance from any important town.

having and other auxiliary service for which the navy has not ships available.

This was in response to the appeal of Franklin D. Roosevelt, assistant secretary of the navy, in a speech here last night, for ten thousand men and 750 small boats to assist, if need arose, in guarding the Atlantic coast. At the conclusion of Mr. Roosevelt's speech 250 representatives of every branch of the maritime interests of the harbor and the marine labor unions pledged their support to Rear Admiral Usher, commandant of the New York navy yard.

WIRELESS FROM U. S. STEAMER FINLAND

REPORTS SHE WILL REACH AMBROSE CHANNEL LIGHTSHIPS TOMORROW

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—The steamship Finland, of the American line, which sailed from Liverpool on Feb. 17, with 168 passengers including many Americans, reported by wireless to her owners here today that she would reach the Ambrose channel lightship a few hours after midnight tonight and would dock about 8 a. m. tomorrow.

The Finland was the third American line passenger vessel to leave England after Germany's proclamation of unrestricted submarine warfare. The others were the New York and Philadelphia. With the arrival of the Finland this line's entire fleet will be tied up in New York for the first time since the Spanish-American war.

Doctor Henry Van Dyke, former American minister to the Netherlands is a passenger on the Finland.

HEARING ON PARDON FOR ROBERT VAUGHN

It is announced that the state parole board will give a hearing next Thursday in Boston on a petition of ex-Senator George E. Marchand and others that Robert K. Vaughn be pardoned from state prison. Vaughn and his brother were sentenced for life for an attempt to kill Patrolman John W. Healey. The brother was pardoned some time ago.

\$100,000 LOSS BY FIRE AT CLEARFIELD, PA.

CLEARFIELD, Pa., Feb. 27.—Fire which started in the Clearfield opera house early today caused damages estimated at \$100,000. Besides the opera house a number of business houses were destroyed.

FREIGHT RATES ON IRON AND STEEL INCREASED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Increased freight rates on iron and steel from Chicago, Pittsburgh and other points in the east to Pacific coast terminals for export were authorized today by the interstate commerce commission. The increases authorized are from 30 cents, the present rate, to 40 cents from Chicago, and from 42 to 45 cents from Pittsburgh. The rates will become effective April 2, and apply to shipments destined for Japan, China and Manila.

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Don't fail to read today's editorial in The Sun on "Callaway and His ilk." It will help you to form accurate ideas of war news and newspaper critics.

Miss K. Blennerhassett is spending the week in New York looking over the latest spring styles in millinery.

Mrs. Julia Courchesne of Head & Shaw, Central street, has returned from New York, where she attended the spring millinery show.

LAWRENCE MAN ADMITS BURGLARIES HERE

DANIEL MCCARTHY MADE BIG HAULS FROM HOUSES IN HIGHLANDS

Daniel McCarthy, a middle aged man, who claims Lawrence as his home, was arrested in a lunch room in Gorham street last night and according to his own admission made in police court today, he has burglarized several residences in the vicinity of Tyler park in the Highlands district.

When arraigned before Judge Knight this morning he entered a plea of guilty to a complaint charging him with the burglary of two residences, each of the value of \$250 from Levee Hall. This was but a technical charge and he was held under \$500 bonds until tomorrow morning but before the session of court was over it was learned that many other breaks had been made in the Highlands and the bonds were increased to \$2000.

McCarthy was arrested after a careful search for a thief who had entered houses in the vicinity of Tyler park and McCarthy was traced through sales made at second hand stores.

A short time ago while Sergt. David Petre was in a second hand store he saw a person for whom, Union inquiry it was found that the man who had presented the garment was a stranger in this city. Being questioned, the owner of the store admitted that other articles had been sold to him by the person who had sold the coat.

A careful examination of the coat resulted in the finding of a handkerchief which bore an initial "E." Further investigation resulted in a full description of the man and subsequently his arrest in the restaurant.

When brought to the police station McCarthy told a story that seemed incredible, but when the police made a search of several places mentioned in McCarthy's confession they found a considerable amount of goods.

He said that he had gained entrance to the residence of Levi L. Hall at 24 Sanders avenue. Mr. Hall and his wife are in Florida at the present time and the house was closed. He also admitted he broke into the house of Marshall Forrest at 20 Sanders avenue.

After McCarthy had been catcured by the police he informed the latter where he had disposed of the majority of the articles which he had stolen. He said he had taken rugs, portieres, pictures, a set of Haviland china, table cloths, bed clothing and numerous other articles.

According to the police and the admission of the prisoner he occupied the Hall residence for several nights and even went so far as to prepare meals for himself. The cooking utensils in the house were not washed after he had used them, neither were the beds redressed after he occupied them. There were a number of incriminating facts brought out as a result of the inspection and search by the police.

McCarthy said that he got into the Hall house through a collar window and after looking there for a few days broke into the Forest house, gaining admission to the latter place through a rear door.

William F. Hills, who resides at 21



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Davenport terrace, accompanied the officers on their visit to the Hall house and being very familiar with the interior was surprised to learn of the depredations.

At the conclusion of the court session this morning McCarthy, accompanied by Sergt. Welch and Sergt. Petre, visited several places and more goods were recovered.

AT ROGERS HALL

The Combined Glee and Mandolin Clubs of Dartmouth College Will Constitute the Week's Attraction

The Dartmouth college combined Glee and Mandolin clubs will be the attraction this week at Rogers hall.

The Dartmouth clubs are among the leading college musical organizations of the country. The Glee club is noted particularly for its ranking in the Interstate Glee club competition.

This meet in which Harvard, Amherst, Columbia, University of Pennsylvania, Princeton, Penn State and Dartmouth compete for the intercollegiate championship was first held in New York last year. The competition has become an annual event and last year attracted an audience of over 3000 people. The winners of the championship cup, the prize awarded to the best competing club were Harvard in 1914, Dartmouth in 1915 and Princeton last year. The competition will take place this year on March 3 in Carnegie hall, all the above clubs competing.

The Mandolin club this year has received considerable commendation from critics not only for the spirit with which it presents its lighter selections but also for its excellent interpretations of more difficult pieces. It is truly remarkable for its handling of composition, in which delicate shading is demanded.

The popularity which the Dartmouth clubs enjoy in the nation of the

country is shown by the fact that their re-engagement is a matter of enthusiastic applause wherever their annual occurrence in several prominent New England cities. Highly successful concerts have been held this year in Springfield, Fall River, New Bedford and Worcester.

On the annual spring trip, which is the most extended tour which faculty restriction permits, the clubs to also offer selections from Hawaiian melodies played by Mr. Emory upon his Hawaiian steel guitar. Mr. Emory has been a resident of Honolulu for the greater part of his life and has a perfect mastery of the native instruments which now enjoy such popularity in this country. The program will include a series of Grecian dances and ballads by J. H. Brewer, 20, a highly interesting program, are the specialty numbers, in which G. W. I. a concert in Hanover this fall.

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FRANKLIN K. LANE, JR., AND HIS MACHINE

Pictures show young Mr. Lane seated in his aeroplane and also his machine. While his father sits at the president's cabinet table in Washington seeking ways to keep the country at

peace, Franklin J. Lane, Jr., is preparing for war. The New York Times, Va. The son of the secretary of the interior has just turned nineteen. He is qualifying for duty as an officer in the army aviation reserve corps.

CITY COUNCIL

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of public buildings for this section, appeared before the council and made a report of his investigation of Lowell school houses. Mr. MacDonald stated that improvements and alterations were needed in 50 local schools; said that the only substance used on school floors and stairways to alleviate dust was inflammable and dangerous, and offered many more suggestions of importance.

The order for the amount of money voted the city departments for 1917 was passed and also the Textile school appropriation. The council also went on record as being strongly opposed to the proposed plan of changing the name of the Lowell Textile school and the clerk was authorized to inform the trustees of the school of this action.

The proposed Chambers street playground was discussed at length, Judge Fisher appearing for the Lowell Bleachery and J. Joseph Hennessy for the Wheelock heirs. The council passed a blanket order borrowing the sum of \$5,000 for block paving.

A hearing was given on the application of Percy E. Varnum for a garage license in Varnum avenue. It was referred to the commissioner of fire and water.

The L. E. L. Corp. asked permission to erect a pole in old Maiden Lane and one pole at Andrews and Barrington streets. William Myers, 102 Andrews street, appeared as a remonstrant to the granting of the latter permit. The matter was referred.

Judge Fisher spoke on the taking of land for the Chambers street playground. Mr. Fisher appeared for the Lowell Bleachery. He said that it was their contention that the passage of the order by the council to seize the necessary land was done illegally, as no notification was sent to the Bleachery Co. He suggested a grant of land near the corner of Chambers and Newhall streets, whereby the Bleachery Co. may get a triangular piece of land which the city has seized.

Herbert C. Merrill, for the Wheelock heirs, said that he was opposed to the plan offered by the Bleachery. It is true, he said, that the Bleachery Co. may get a triangular piece of land by the municipal council, but the treasurer and agent were told by me, personally, that it was very probable that the city would seize this land.

J. Joseph Hennessy appeared for Mr. Merrill and said that he doubted very much that the city council had any right to go through with any such transaction after the seizure has been made.

Improve School Buildings

The mayor read a communication from Angus A. MacDonald, state building inspector, which stated that there are 50 school buildings in Lowell which need improvements. He suggested the following changes: The removal of all closets from underneath stairways; the installation of new fire hoses; the supplying of gas lights by electric lights in basements; the elimination of dirt or dry closets; arrangements for the proper care of children's clothing; and the placing of snow guards on pitched roofs, especially over egresses.

Mr. MacDonald spoke to the council as follows: "I find that there are 50 school buildings in Lowell where improvements are absolutely necessary. If any accident should occur in Lowell school buildings, it would place this municipal council in a very embarrassing position. There is an inflammable oil being used on the floors and stairs in Lowell schools, which I know is inflammable by tests, and which is most dangerous. If a fire should start in any of these schools and the heat should ignite this oil, the exits would be cut off to children. The fire signal in the schools is not a good one. There is too much chance for confusion in sounding the signal of two strokes.

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200 KILLED AND 700 WOUNDED BY EXPLOSION

BERLIN, Feb. 27, by wireless to Sayville.—The Frankfurter Zeitung says it has received from a private source in France by way of Switzerland a report that more than 200 persons were killed and 700 wounded by an explosion of ammunition depots on Feb. 2. According to this report, more than 80,000 tons of ammunition were destroyed.

MOVE TO OUST IMPERIAL CHANCELLOR

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 27, via London.—According to a telegram from Berlin, thirty supporters of Admiral von Tirpitz, former minister of the navy, including Count von Hoensbroech, have held a meeting to discuss "a change in the office of imperial chancellor." It is said to be the purpose of the promoters of this movement to hold meetings in all the large towns of Germany and also to obtain the support of newspapers for the purpose of forcing a change in the head of the government. Socialist and liberal newspapers condemn this action.

DEMOCRATS SELECT MRS. BASS TO HEAD BRANCH

For the first time in the history of American politics a woman's bureau is to be established as a permanent adjunct of the national committee of one of the big parties. On Tuesday, March 6, Mrs. George Bass of Chicago is to be elected by the democratic national

ing to \$672,000. This would make the total cost of building the school about \$2,130,000. I am opposed to paying any such sum of money."

Mayor O'Donnell: "The plans of the school are not final."

Mr. Warnock: "Mr. Rourke tells me that the plans are final."

Mayor O'Donnell: "It is not for Mr. Rourke to say whether or not the plans are final. Mr. Warnock; that is the right of the municipal council."

Mr. Warnock: "If these plans are not final, what is all this steel being sent here for?"

Mr. Brown: "Are you not opposed to the present proposition of the high school?"

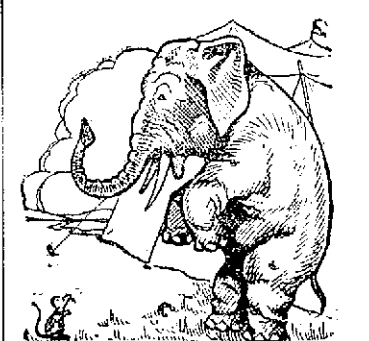
Mayor O'Donnell: "I am not opposed to a new high school, but I am opposed to such an outlay of money. The municipal council has never gone on record as being in favor of spending any such sum of money. I have never let myself become excited over the matter. I have waited until all the facts and figures were before me."

The meeting adjourned until Thursday morning at 11 o'clock, the time set for the hearing for Mr. Stiles.

WHITE STAR LINER CEDRIC ARRIVES

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—The White Star liner Cedric, which left New York on Feb. 12, arrived safely at Liverpool Feb. 22, her agents announced today.

The Cedric had over 6000 bags of mail originally intended for the American liner St. Louis. There were no passengers aboard.



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MRS. GEORGE BASS

committee as chairman of the women's bureau. She will have her headquarters with the rest of the committee in Washington. During last year's presidential campaign Mrs. Bass, who is the wife of a retired lawyer of Chicago, was manager of the women's campaign committee, with headquarters in Chicago. She is a suffragist.

LENOX HOTEL OWNER PLEADS NOT GUILTY

BOSTON, Feb. 27.—Frederick Ayer, owner of the Hotel Lenox, which was damaged by fire Feb. 18, and Lerman C. Prior, manager, each pleaded not guilty in superior court here today to two indictments charging them with violation of the building laws. The indictments set forth that they failed to comply with an order of Building Commissioner Patrick O'Hearn requiring them to install additional exits and the e-sapes at the hotel. The allegation also was made that no knotted rope or other suitable safety contrivance was placed in the sleeping rooms above the second floor as required by law.

Ayer and Prior each furnished \$1000 bail for a hearing later.



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MONSIGNOR MILETTE BURIED TODAY

FUNERAL OF VENERABLE AND BELOVED PRIEST TOOK PLACE TODAY

Funeral services over the remains of the late Rt. Rev. Monsignor J. B. H. V. Milette, pastor of St. Louis de Gonzague church, Nashua, N. H., were held this morning at the church which he erected and of which he was pastor for 30 odd years. The attendance filled the church and the congregation included the mayor and city officials of Nashua, the doctors of the city and about 225 clergymen from all parts of New England and Canada, including Rev. L. C. Bedard of St. Louis church, this city and Rev. Antonio Amyot, O.M.I., of St. Joseph's church.

The officiating clergyman at the mass of requiem, which was celebrated at 10 o'clock was Rt. Rev. Bishop G. A. Guerin, O. D., of Manchester, N. H., who was assisted by Rev. J. H. Chouinard of Manchester and Rev. J. H. Riley of Nashua as deacons of honor. Rev. Matthew Creamer of Nashua acted as deacon, while the sub-deacon was Rev. J. J. Richard, also of Nashua. Rev. F. Buckley of Manchester was master of ceremonies. During the service all the stores of Nashua were closed and practically all business was suspended throughout the city.

20 KILLED

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that all those within the sleeper were made prisoners. The train crew and uninjured passengers were unable to reach them to give aid to any that might have escaped death. The wreck blocked the tracks and caused a suspension of traffic for several hours.

14 Bodies Recovered

All of those killed were in the sleeping car which was telegraphed.

An official of the Pennsylvania railroad said the list of dead may exceed 20 as 14 bodies have been recovered and at least six are known to be dead in the wreck.

At this time the railroad company is inclined to place the blame for the wreck on the engineer of the freight, A. T. Cook, of Harrisburg. It was his duty, said an official, to get off his engine, walk ahead and look at a signal in case of fog rather than run past it.

Whole Family Killed

Chester A. Minds, who with his family was killed, was a coal operator in the Clearfield region of Pennsylvania. He was travelling to Utica, N. Y., to attend the funeral of his wife's father. Minds was a football star on the University of Pennsylvania team and a brother of John H. Minds, a Philadelphia attorney, famous years ago as captain of the Pennsylvania team.

Express 12 Minutes Late

The express is said to have arrived at Mount Union station 12 minutes late.

late with brake trouble. It was held there while the trouble was remedied, it is declared, and the signal to start had been given when the "preference" freight crashed into the rear sleeper.

The List of Dead

The list of the identified dead follows:
CHESTER A. MINDS, 25 years old, Ramsey, Pa.
MRS. DORIS MINDS, 28, his wife.
CHESTER A. MINDS, 37, their infant son, two weeks old.
MISS MAUDE MINDS, 28, Conifer, N. Y., sister of Mr. Minds.
M. A. CASLICH, Conifer, N. Y., a brother-in-law of Mrs. Minds.
MISS A. F. DELLIN, Cleveland; Mrs. Minds' maid.
RICHARD OWEN, 7.
NORTH OWEN, 6.
JEAN OWEN, 4, nephew and niece of Mr. Minds.
CHARLES LEVINE, 35, New York.
B. POLLARD, New York.
MILTON HYNES, New York.
N. BRIGHT, colored porter.
J. S. KELLEY, Brooklyn.
N. A. ROEPLER, Prattville, Wis.
L. W. MONTGOMERY, Bloomington, Ill.
P. R. FANNING, Michigan.

SUCCESS FOR FRENCH TROOPS

PARIS, Feb. 27.—"Southeast of Vailly we entered the German lines and returned with prisoners," says today's official announcement. "There were patrol engagements in the region of Bezonvaux and in the Voeges. Elsewhere calm prevails."

POTATOES TAKE PRICE TUMBLE IN MAINE

DROP FROM \$9 A BARREL TO \$6 AT FORT FAIRFIELD— PHILADELPHIA DEALER HAS 100,000 BBL.

FORT FAIRFIELD, Me. Feb. 27.—Potatoes taken a sudden and unexpected tumble in price since Saturday and the farmers who expected \$9 a barrel for their tubers found that \$6 was the topmost price offered by the local dealers. The reason is that shipping facilities to Boston and New York are not adequate, and the dealers are not willing to pay the pinnacle price without the surety of sale at the same advance in the large cities. As a result the farmers have not been hauling in their potatoes in such quantities as heretofore.

In Houlton, only a few miles away, the shopping facilities were normal and there was no real let-down in price, only the effect of this action's cut reducing the price to \$8.50 a barrel. A Philadelphia dealer who has 100,000 barrels stored here reported that he expected potatoes to reach \$5 a bushel in larger cities.

MATRIMONIAL

Frank Ferrin and Miss Thelma Knight were married Saturday evening at the parsonage of the Congregational church in Billerica by Rev. John Dale.

Victrolas \$15 to \$250

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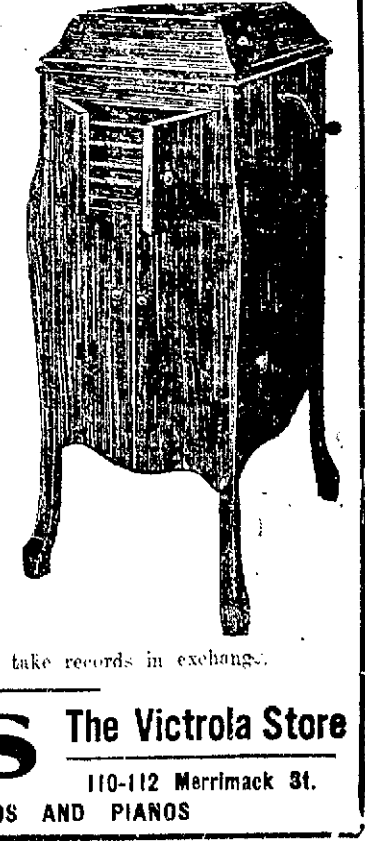
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CONTESTS IN CRESCENT LADIES' LEAGUE

The weekly contests in the Crescent Ladies' League were held last night on the Crescent alleys and they found the Silesia Girls hitting a team total of 1205. Miss McEnaney was high with a total of 272.

SILESIA GIRLS

Miss Sullivan	62	75	86	223
Miss Barrett	80	75	83	238
Mrs. McAvoy	72	73	89	234
Miss Beauregard	76	61	73	210
Miss McEnaney	88	86	80	254
Totals	378	379	438	1205

CRESCENTNETTES

Mrs. Donovan	74	70	73	217
Mrs. McHugh	77	53	78	208
Mrs. Nebe	71	63	73	207
Mrs. DuChene	67	57	63	187
Mrs. Moore	78	64	81	223
Totals	367	357	371	1125

MARTINS

Miss Parker	88	61	73	222
Mrs. Bowman	76	65	84	225
Miss Shepherd	69	76	78	223
Mrs. Birtwistle	71	75	68	214
Mrs. Harrison	79	73	71	223
Totals	383	346	369	1191

CENTRALVILLE

Miss Kane	78	79	73	230
Miss Gookin	74	61	84	219
Miss Perkins	80	77	82	239
Miss Peabody	88	79	69	236
Mrs. Wentworth	86	79	98	263
Totals	403	375	407	1185

WATCH YOUR STEP

Miss Roddy	75	77	68	210
Sub	75	64	76	215
Miss Flynn	64	69	76	209
Miss M. McNulty	44	68	68	180
Miss Molloy	83	84	84	251
Totals	381	360	371	1112

LIBERTY

Miss Rourke	67	60	89	216
Miss Dillon	63	61	73	197
Miss Seymour	80	67	83	230
Mrs. Dillon	78	80	82	240
Mrs. Angier	81	86	81	248
Totals	369	356	393	1117

FIVE OF HEARTS

Miss Platts	86	72	85	243
Mrs. Miner	78	71	84	233
Miss Harvey	77	73	84	234
Miss Gookin	81	54	68	203
Miss Stonehouse	80	71	68	219
Totals	377	346	381	1104

CENTRAL GIRLS

Miss Mahoney	76	79	82	237
Miss Fagot	70	77	70	217
Miss Blanchett	70	77	75	222
Miss Lymoine	59	79	73	211
Miss Barry	88	79	68	235
Totals	342	378	378	1095

CARR'S LEAGUE BUNTINGS

Riley	107	96	92	295
Burt	86	89	86	261
Burns	97	84	94	275
Hosmer	101	102	102	305
Mason	84	98	107	289
Totals	462	463	482	1427

SHAMROCKS

Pierce	91	107	88	286
Staunton	84	102	84	270
Peterson	74	83	87	244
Devlin	95	99	89	283
Brook	84	104	122	310
Totals	441	495	471	1407

WITH THE PADDED MITTS

K. O. Brennan of New York and Frank Hagney of Australia have been matched for the feature bout in Lawrence, Me., March 8.

Billy Nixon, the Cambridge lightweight, who still believes he is going to make a comeback, will box Billy Meyers in Marlboro Thursday night.

Jack Dillon and Al McCoy will box in Brooklyn tonight to see who will meet Darcy next week. Dillon ought to win in a canter.

Many fans feel that Jack Britton is altogether too smart a boxer for Tommy Robson, but their bout in Lawrence Thursday night should be a hummer.

Many people figure that George Chaney will win from Britt tonight in Boston. Chaney is a southpaw fighter, and thought once that he could defeat Kibane, but the latter showed him he was mistaken in quick time. While Britt is not the puncher that Kibane is, he knows how to box the southpaw boys and he might upset the dope.

Johnny Donovan and Howard McRae will substitute for George Robinson and George Ashe at the Commercial club Friday night.

Benny Leonard has come to the front again as a mighty classical contender for the title of Frederick Welsh.

Since Leonard returned to the ring after a long lay-off on account of a broken hand, he has been showing new speed and hitting power, and in New York he is generally regarded as the best of American contenders. Leonard is eager to get another crack at Welsh's crown and he doesn't want to wait too long to get it, either. Here's why:

"I have a hunch that somebody is going to take the title away from Welsh before 1917 passes away," says Leonard, "and I think that I am the very lad to do it. But if I don't keep after him someone else will be sure to beat me to it. This is why I want Welsh now—the sooner the better. And remember what I say—the next time I see him, Benny Leonard is going to prove his superiority."

Leonard shared this honor with Johnny Dundee for some time, but when Johnny took the count at the hands of Young Jackson in a Philadelphia ring his stock went down to the bottom with a crash.

BASKETBALL COMEBACK

Now that basketball has staged a sure enough comeback in Lowell, fans are eagerly looking forward to the second game of the series with the White Bears of Boston, which will be played Friday night of this week in Associate hall. All the White Bears, including Costello, Renkert and Finn will be seen in action and an even faster game than last week's is promised.

No cleaner game of basketball has been seen in Lowell for some time than that shown by the Lowell Five last Friday night. Only two fouls were called on the local boys and Billy Wilson wasn't molesting them either, for visiting teams have always said that

Wilson is an absolutely impartial official.

Grant, Clark and Law played whirlwind basketball last week and one will have to go a long way to find a better basketball player than Red Kenney. Allison also is a smooth worker and is always in motion. Martin and Lyons, two well known local players, may be counted on at all times.

Manager Dodge is working hard to bring the Worcester Knights of Columbus team to Lowell after the series with the White Bears is finished, and if he is successful, Lowell fans will have a chance to see one of the best quintets in the state.

SOME BASEBALL LINGO

Pitcher "Lefty" Hamilton of the Browns, who drew \$1000 in war times, received a contract this winter calling for \$2500. Just a mere slice of five thou.

They say that Jack Barry is dickering for a young third baseman and a new outfielder. Centrafield is not overworked with class, but Larry Gardner looked the best of the lot in the majors last year around the third bag.

Pitcher Hod Eller, who had a trial with the White Sox and was sent to Mobile, from where he jumped to an independent team last summer, has announced that he has signed a 1917 contract with Cincinnati.

Many people thought that Schmidt would be back under the wing of Stallings this year as the Boston boss offered the big fellow a large sized contract. Schmidt turned it down, however, and will stick to his butcher shop business in Baltimore.

Disposing of the services of Joe Wood was not the most perplexing of President Frazee's troubles. The Red Sox head is waiting for news from several of the prominent members of the holdout league. Harry Hooper, it was supposed, would sign as soon as Dave Fultz released the players from their pledges, but no word has been received from that sterling outfielder. Lewis, Janvrin, Gardner and Leonard also have sent no word.

The cutting drift of Keating, Sweeney and Pieh leaves Donovan only seven players who were members of the Highlanders when Ruppert and Huston took the club two years ago. The survivors are Les Nunamaker, Ray Fisher, Caldwell, Roger Peckinpaugh, Mullen, Fritz Malsel and Aaron. All the outfielders of the Frank Chance regime have departed.

The story is that the players who sent back their contracts unsigned to Class AA and Class A teams will receive a cut of \$25 a month when they receive contracts again. The clubs have agreed upon the plan to take a wallop at the players who had agreed not to sign.

Joe Deschager of the Phillies, and brother Frank, who also is a pitcher, were stacked up against each other on the Pacific coast a few days ago. Joe worked for a team from the U. S. S. Albatross and his brother twirled for the St. Mary's Phoenix. Frank struck out Joe the first time he came to bat and he also shut out the sailors, 2 to 0. Four hits were made off Joe and only two off Frank.

All the Glants are under contract with Bariden, Robertson, Schupp, and Holke. The list of unnamed Yankees includes Culllop, Phipps and Walters.

Sam Crawford will coach the Texas Trinity university baseball team this spring.

Report from Cincinnati has it that Dick Hoblitzell, first baseman of the world champion Red Sox, sincerely intends to desert baseball for the practice of surgical dentistry. Hoblitzell has a brother who also is a dentist and the two practiced together in Cincinnati when Dick was a member of the Reds. They did well and it was only the lure of extra big money which pulled Dick into the big league game and kept him there. Hoblitzell, it is said, now turns his back on baseball because his salary has been cut \$600. He is believed to have received \$3600 for 1916, in addition of course to the world series slice, which pushed his whole season's pay up over \$1000. There was a sigh of relief breathed up from Red Sox headquarters the other day when Del Gainer's 1917 signed contract was received through the mails. The former Tiger says he is in fine shape, and if this is so Boston need not worry so much over Hobby's action, if he decides to quit the game.

RED SOX "HOLDOUTS"

BOSTON, Feb. 26.—A Red Sox training trip to Honolulu in 1918, such as the club has been invited to make, is very interesting, but 1918 is a long way off, and what the fans would like better is to know that all the Red Sox are in line for the 1917 training season which begins in about a fortnight.

To be sure it was announced that Everett Scott had sent in his signed contract, but the news was discounted quite awhile ago when the little shortstop got his raise and said he was satisfied.

The fans would like to know about Cady, Leonard, Foster, Lewis, Hoblitzell, Gardner, Hooper, Janvrin and several other players who have not come across with their signatures. The fans would like to feel sure that these men can be depended upon to be on hand when the new manager of the Red Sox starts the squad going at Majestic Park, Hot Springs, Ark.

Of course, it can be taken for granted that most of these boys will be on the mark ready for Barry's word, yet there is always a nervous feeling until the new manager comes, but most fans are throwing the ball around and bating the pill to all the corners of the lot.

There is curiosity, too, regarding the manner in which Barry will train his men. Since he graduated under only Red Cross, many have been under only two big league managers—Connie Mack and Bill Carrigan. Will he follow the methods of Carrigan or will he adopt the methods of Connie Mack who knows about all there is to know of baseball, or will Barry try methods of his own?

Barry is handicapped in one sense. Carrigan was for a short and strenuous training season, with only a few exhibition games in lot more than three or four cities, and then being his team to the scratch in superb condition and full of pep.

Barry may follow Carrigan's methods at training camp, but must bargain with the Brooklyn and his territory north of the Ohio river in April, which is a bad thing for any big league ball club.

If the Champs strike had weather in and around Illinois, Ohio and Indiana, where the team is scheduled to play in April, a few days' hot air may throw the men off their stride and play hob with them when the championship season begins.

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MEYERS, NATIONAL CHAMPION, EXPECTED TO SMASH RECORD

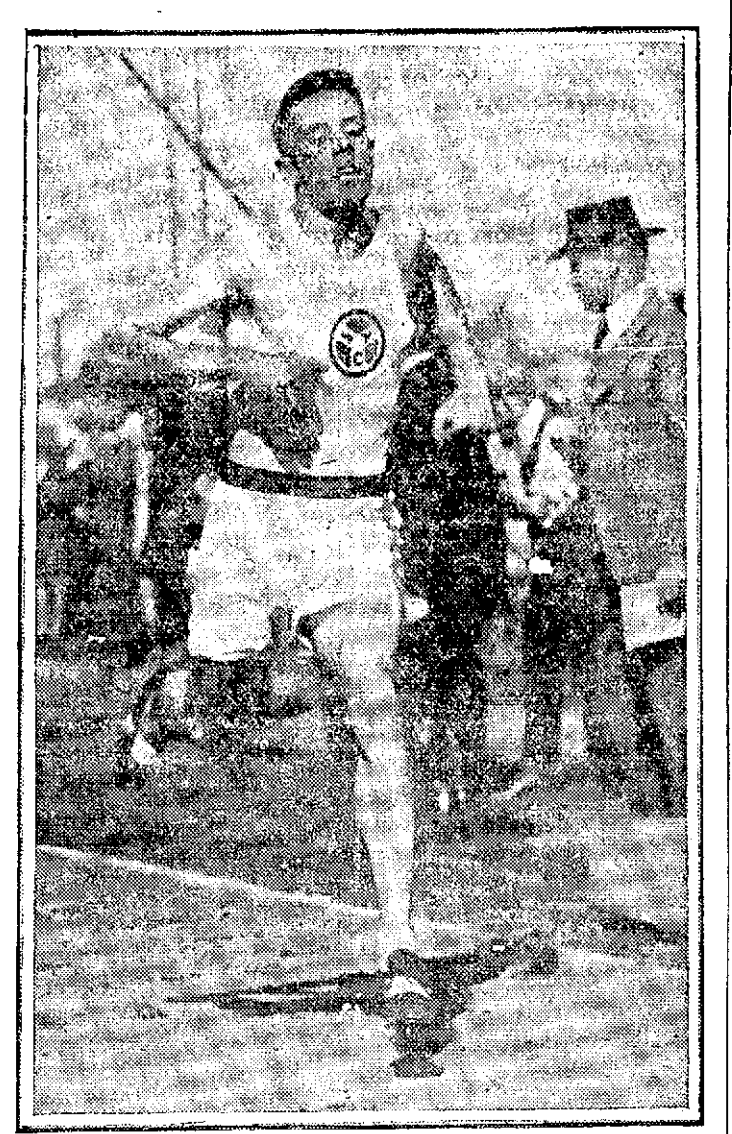


Photo shows Meyers winning one of his races.

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—Local athletic experts say Ivan Meyers of the Illinois Athletic club will smash the world's record for the mile before the summer is over. Meyers is the national champion at the mile and at the present moment is in grand shape. He is a product of the Mahan training system, the same that sprang Joie Ray on the public as a record wrecker. John Mahan, the irrepressible "lawyer" who coaches the athletes of the Illinois Athletic club in his spare moments, discovered Meyers and now declares that this apparently awkward boy is a world's record possibility in the mile run.

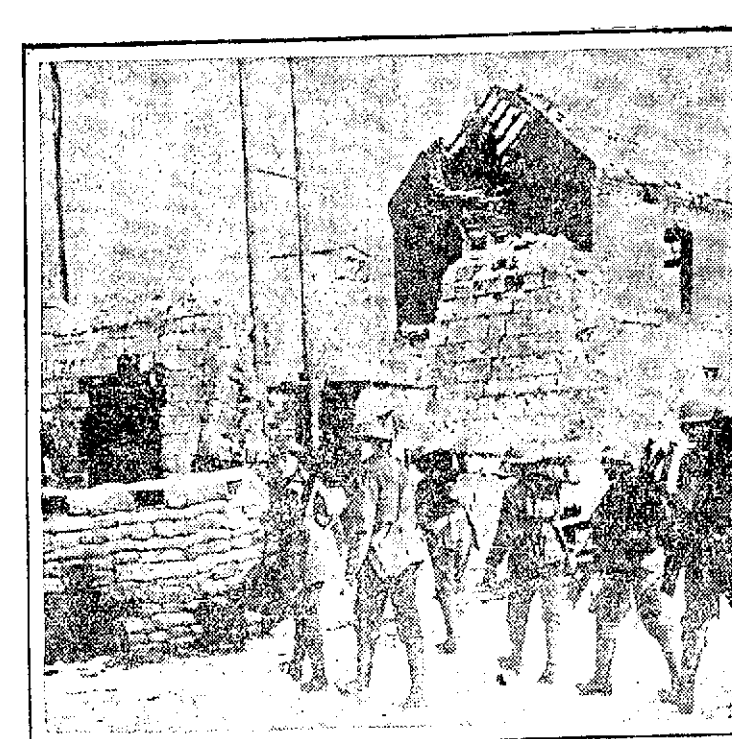
"Right now he can give Joie Ray a fine beating in the mile," said Mahan of Meyers a few days ago. When it is taken into consideration that Ray stepped a mile in 4 minutes 16 2-5 seconds before he struck the remarkable running streak that he's in now Mahan's opinion of Meyers' ability is certainly a remarkable statement.

Y. M. C. I. Y. S. C. Y. M. L. Manager Dwyer of the Y. M. C. I. team has accepted the terms of Manager Miskell of the Y. M. C. L. for a series of games to determine the championship of the city this spring to be played Thursday night. Mr. Dwyer's reply to Manager Miskell's letter is as follows:

Sporting Editor of The Sun: In answer to Manager Miskell's additional teams I would say that they are perfectly satisfactory to me and the first game of the series will be played Thursday evening, March 1, of this week. The lineups will be posted in tomorrow's newspapers as aforesaid. Thanking you for the valuable space you have given to these letters, I remain,

David H. Dwyer, Manager Y. M. C. I. Team

BRITISH ADVANCE MENACES BAPAUME, KEY TO GERMAN SOMME POSITIONS



BRITISH SOLDIERS ON WAY TO FIRING LINE

Under cover of fog and mist the Germans carried out the greatest retirement they have made on the western front in the past two years, and the British swept into possession of Pys, Serre Miraumont and Petit Miraumont, including the famous Butte de Warlencourt, which has been the scene of some of the fiercest fighting of the war and in places is deep with the bones of dead men.

The exact extent of the German retirement approaches a depth of three miles at some points. British patrols are out in all directions harassing the Germans and keeping in touch with their movements.

It can be stated that the British now or soon will be in a position possibly to force the evacuation of Bapaume, which has been the key to the German position since the beginning of the battle of the Somme. The points which already have fallen into their hands have stood out in the history of fighting on this front and had been most stubbornly defended. Only a few days ago when the British attacked on a two mile front east and south of Miraumont and Pys the German resistance was bitter, and the high ground desired was won only after desperate hand to hand encounters and the taking of more than 800 German prisoners.

The space enclosed within the heavy black lines on the accompanying map shows the recent British advance, and the photograph is that of British soldiers advancing to the battle through a ruined village.

MCCOY PROTESTS DARCY-DILLON BOUT

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—The state boxing commission met today to consider the protest of Al McCoy, claimant of the middleweight championship against the match between Les Darcy, the Australian, and Jack Dillon of Indianapolis, set for March 5 at Madison Square Garden. McCoy recently was signed to box Darcy on that date but when the boxing commission ordered him to fulfill a verbal contract to box Dillon before engaging in another contest the engagement with Darcy was declared off and Dillon was substituted.

McCoy and Dillon will box 10 rounds tonight before the Broadway Sporting Club of Brooklyn. By the terms of the McCoy-Darcy match McCoy agreed not to box anyone else in the meantime.

BASKETBALL AT CADET ARMORY

The O.M.I. Cadets will play the fast Senators team on Thursday evening of this week at the Cadet armory. The game will be called at 8 sharp.

THE O. M. I. CADETS WILL PARADE

MAJOR CONROY WILL HAVE 400 BOYS IN LINE ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY

The O.M.I. Cadets have decided to parade on St. Patrick's day and Maj. Conroy expects to turn out about 400 uniformed boys. On Thursday evening at 7.30 there will be a meeting of the entire battalion and every Cadet who intends to parade must be present. Last evening Fr. Sullivan announced that among the decorations for the assembly room, he has obtained a sash once used by Commodore Perry and also two sashes which were in the battle of Gettysburg.

"LADIES' NIGHT" A SUCCESS

Large Crowd Had a Most Enjoyable Evening at the Rollaway Rink, as Guests of Manager Moore

"Ladies' night," held at the Rollaway rink on Hurd street last evening proved a great success. A large number took advantage of Manager Moore's offer to enjoy roller skating without cost, and all had a most delightful time. The plan to hold a "ladies' night" every Monday evening during the remainder of the season was announced and it made a great hit with all. Tomorrow evening another one of those enjoyable mid-week parties will be held, the feature being a "sweetheart party" with ten prizes. The general public is cordially invited to attend this party free of charge, and indications point to a large number accepting the manager's liberal offer. The floor at the Rollaway is in the best of condition, and those who enjoy this form of amusement can find no better place in the state than the popular rink on Hurd street.

WOMEN CARPENTERS

LONDON, Feb.—Nineteen young women carpenters have left for France, where they have contracted to remain for the duration of the war in employment mainly connected with the building of barracks for the British army.

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WYCOLLAR BOY CROWNED BEST OF ALL DOGS AT NEW YORK SHOW



Photo shows Wycollar Boy.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Dogdom hailed a new king recently. Conejo Wycollar Boy, a superb fox terrier, owned by Mrs. Roy A. Rainey, was crowned the best dog of all breeds and all classes at the Westminster Kennel Club show here as a fitting climax to a series of sweeping triumphs which he had scored throughout the forty-first annual exhibition. Wycollar Boy, in perfect coat, with markings that were of striking beauty and with a splendidly formed head, topped over all opposition in the special classified class for the best dog in the show. Matford Vic, a champion for two years running, owned by Mrs. Rainey too, failed to stand up against the sterling points of her kennel mate and was beaten badly, being led from the ring long before the judging was finished. The new champion is the highest priced wire haired fox terrier ever shown. He was imported from England a little more than a year ago by Andrew Albright, who paid \$5,000 for him. It was Mr. Albright's express intention to have him beat Matford Vic, but before the show he sold the dog to Mrs. Rainey for \$6,000.

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FULTON'S EASY WIN FROM WEINERT SET HIS STOCK GOING WAY UP



FRED FULTON

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Fred Fulton's easy victory over Charley Weinert in Madison Square Garden sent up the Minnesota giant's stock among the fight fans, some of whom had been inclined to look upon Fulton as rather a joke. They're now figuring on Fulton's going up to the very top of the heavyweight bunch.

157 KILLED AND 50 INJURED IN EXPLOSION

TOKIO, Feb. 27.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—Naval officers' reports that the explosion on the battleship cruiser Tsukuba on January 14 was the work of German spies, the Tsukuba sank soon after the explosion and the revised estimate shows that 157 seamen were killed and that at least 50 injured. The cause remains a mystery but is explained by a naval man as probably due to a spontaneous combustion in the powder magazine. That there was not a larger loss of life is due to the fact that about half of the crew were ashore at Yokosuka where the warship was at anchor. Captain Arima had just arrived on board from shore when there was a tremendous roar which was heard many miles away and the ship was encased in a pillar of smoke and flames. The concussion blew a hole in the hull through which the water rushed and within a few minutes the ship began to sink. There were 340 seamen and a few officers on board at the time. Many were killed outright and others were blown into the sea. Launches and cutters were sent to the rescue. Divers who made an investigation found many dead men seated about the table in the mess-room. A number of sailors who were on deck were blown into the air and were crushed to death when they fell again to the deck. The bodies of 82 sailors were recovered from the sea and it is believed that the rest are lodged in the wreck of the ship. The Tsukuba was the first large warship to be built in home yards. On several occasions she conveyed the late emperor and empress during naval maneuvers. The warship visited America on the occasion of the Jamestown exposition. She was regarded as rather superannuated and was lately used as a training ship of naval gunnery. Captain Arima was saved. The picture of the emperor which hung in the officers' room was saved by Lieutenant Fukumoto who rushed into the apartment at considerable risk. The ship's flag was also removed by four seamen just as the vessel was disappearing.

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WAR DOG, HERO OF TRENCHES, FEATURE OF KENNEL CLUB SHOW



WAR HERO DOG, FILAX OF LEVANNON, AND HIS OWNER, MRS. L. F. WANNER.

"Where is the war dog?" was the general inquiry of visitors at Madison Square Garden, New York, to the Westminster Kennel club show. The distinction was by Filax of Levannon because he had rescued fifty-four wounded French soldiers from the trenches and placed him in a class by himself and the sturdy German shepherd dog monopolized the attention of the casual spectators who crowded for the glamour surrounding a war hero than they did for the aristocrats

B. & M. RECEIVERSHIP MADE PERMANENT

BOSTON, Feb. 27.—The temporary receivership which has been in control of the affairs of the Boston & Maine railroad since Aug. 28 was made permanent yesterday by Judge Morton in the United States district court.

James H. Hustis, the president of the road, who has been acting as receiver, was authorized to contract for steel rails and other supplies for 1918 to the extent of \$2,071,000. The commonwealth of Massachusetts, which is the holder of one of the largest claims against the road, was allowed to intervene in any proceedings for the cancellation of the road's contracts with the state, for an increase in rates or change in tariff schedules and for any compromise of the \$4,000,000 claim of the Hampden railroad against the Boston & Maine. In doing so to make the receivership permanent, Judge Morton took occasion in the course of his opinion to rebuke the minority stockholders, who have been contesting the receivership, he referred to them as "a comparatively small but contentious group, who appear to have resorted to charges of 'fraud' or of 'breach of duty' in an effort to obscure the exact nature of their real complaint."

The court also found that the present board of directors had acted with integrity and ability for the best interests of the road and declared that there was not the slightest foundation for the charges of fraud made against them.

BOILED GREEN BANANAS SUBSTITUTE FOR "SPUDS"

BOSTON, Feb. 27.—Boiled green bananas may become popular on American tables, replacing potatoes, which have soared to a price that puts them far above the reach of the average householder. At the wharf office of the United Fruit company yesterday, Captain N. P. West showed how the fruit is cooked, as it is done in Ja-

maica and other parts of the West Indies. The banana is first dipped in warm salted water, the skin removed and the scaly surface beneath carefully scraped, after which it is ready for boiling. A half hour of boiling and the banana is ready to be served. It makes an appetizing dish, served with butter, and is said to contain nearly as much nutriment as a potato.

11 YEAR OLD BOY LEAPS TO DEATH IN RIVER

MACHIAS, Me., Feb. 27.—Worked into a nervous frenzy by the taunts of his schoolmates and fear of punishment from his stepfather, Lloyd Smith, aged 11, leaped into the Machias river yesterday afternoon and was drowned.

His stepfather, W. H. Hanscom, who jumped into the icy water after him had nearly reached the edge of the shore ice when, benumbed and exhausted, he lost his hold and the boy sank. Mr. Hanscom was rescued just in time by two men in a boat.

It appears that the stepfather went to the school that Lloyd attended and questioned him sharply as to where he got the spending money which he appeared to have in plenty. The boy said his uncle gave it to him, which appears to have been the truth. After school his mates taunted him and said he was to be arrested. He did not go home with his brother and sister as usual, and Mr. Hanscom started to look for him. Lloyd saw his father coming and fearing punishment, ran to the edge of the dam and jumped in.

Mr. Hanscom is prostrated from exhaustion and grief. He seems to have been a target for misfortune. He lost an eye in an accident, his first wife died. His home was burned and he feels the death of his stepson keenly. He says he had treated him kindly and only wanted him to be a good boy.

PRESIDENT'S SISTER-IN-LAW DEAD
ROANOKE, Va., Feb. 27.—Mrs. Mathew Maury, sister of Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, died here yesterday afternoon after an operation for peritonitis.

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Mar. 20.—Foreman brickmaker (male), salary, \$1200 per annum; engineer of tests, (male), salary, \$4,000 per annum; inspector of gauges, (male), salary, \$2,000 to \$2,400 per annum.

Mar. 21.—Junior mechanical engineer, (male), salary, \$1,600 per annum.

Mar. 21.—Aid, (male), bureau of standards, salary, \$600 to \$720 per annum; civil engineer and superintendent of construction, (male), salary, \$1500 per annum.

BOSTON TAILOR ROBBED

BOSTON, Feb. 27.—Abraham Jacobs, a tailor at 301A Huntington avenue, was robbed of \$156 last night by two men, who entered his shop and covered him with a pistol after decoying him into a back room. They left him tied to a table and gained nearly an hour's start before Jacobs' plight was discovered.

While the description of the robbers does not tally with that of the men wanted for the killing of two magistrates of the Atlantic and Pacific Tea company, under similar circumstances within the past two weeks, the police are inclined to believe the robbers may be other members of the same gang.

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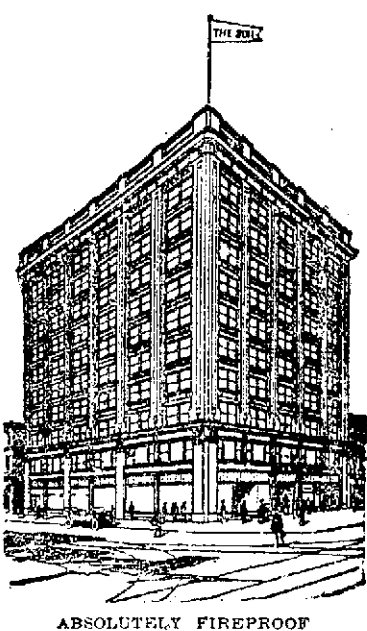
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75,000 BERLIN FAMILIES TAKE UP GARDENING

BERLIN, Feb. 27.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—Approximately 75 thousand Berlin families will take up gardening on a small scale during the coming spring. The number of these "volunteer gardeners," which had been just above 2000 before the war, had increased to some 66,000 last summer and fall, and gives every indication of going higher this coming spring.

One result of the tremendous campaign for gardens, which makes the Berliner partly independent of the market, has been to clean up countless unsightly empty lots, especially in the suburbs, which in peace times had been used for dumping grounds and all sorts of other purposes. Many tennis courts have been sacrificed to peace and beans and potatoes.

The original gardeners in Berlin were the members of the so-called "Rover Colony," which has patriotically divided up and shared its land, letting it for a trifling amount, or for nothing, to Berliners who expressed a desire to raise their own vegetables. The official membership of the "Colony" has increased since the beginning of the war from 2000 to 14,000, and the unofficial "colonists"—those who rent or own plots of ground—number more than 46,000 more already. The Red Cross also has been acquiring land and turning it over to wounded soldiers to till.

TAX ON WAR INDUSTRIES

MILAN, Italy, Feb. 27.—The government tax on war industries for the year 1916 amounted to \$5,000,000 for 1174 companies, the total profits of which were \$18,000,000. The war tax for 334 companies at the neighboring city of Turin amounted to \$5,000,000. Of this sum an automobile company alone paid \$1,250,000. While many companies appear to have endeavored to dodge the war tax, it has been strictly applied. Many companies declaring earnings of \$1000 to \$10,000 have been forced to pay far greater sums, together with a penalty for incorrect statements.

AGAINST DIGGING UP PUBLIC PARKS

LONDON, Feb. 27.—The board of agriculture has placed its stamp of disapproval on the project to dig up the public parks in the large cities of England for the purpose of growing vegetables and thus help out the food shortage. The board takes the position that the cost of restoring public land of this kind after the war would be so great that its temporary cultivation is undesirable.

JOHN PAUL JONES, FAMOUS RUNNER, MAY COMPETE AGAIN



PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 26.—Athletic experts here say that John Paul Jones, the famous Cornell runner who has not run since he made the intercollegiate mile record in 1913, may put on his shoes again and take part in several runs this summer. Jones was the most famous runner of his day, and his return will be welcomed.

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THE PRESIDENT AND CONGRESS

President Wilson's request for authority to use the force necessary to protect American lives and American rights on the seas against the submarine menace is so reasonable in view of the existing conditions that one might suppose there would be no objection on the part of senators or congressmen.

But there is very grave objection in certain quarters. Some members think the blanket authority asked for by the president is too sweeping, while others criticize him for not taking a more aggressive stand on the issues involved. One faction desires that an extra session of congress shall be called so that the president shall not have absolute control of the situation, should any more serious emergency arise, an eventuality which may involve a declaration of war.

There is nothing particularly wrong in this attitude although it is that of the principal pacifists in congress who are opposed to any step that might indirectly help England or interfere with Germany's effort to destroy the British naval outfit.

The question of the hour is, whether congress will grant President Wilson the authority he seeks or start haggling over it to an extent that will convince the kaiser that congress will not stand by the president in defending American rights, much less in declaring war in defense of American lives.

President Wilson's demand is the most moderate that could be made under the circumstances inasmuch as American commerce with Europe has been practically at a standstill since the opening of Germany's unrestricted submarine warfare. This condition cannot be tolerated any longer and the congressmen who would refuse to sanction the course outlined by President Wilson can scarcely be classed as a robust American who wants this nation to stand firmly and courageously against any curtailment of its rights under any such pretext as military necessity or anything else.

The absolute annulment of American rights to conduct neutral commerce on the high seas together with the loss of so many American lives should be sufficient to induce congress, readily and without any opposition, to grant President Wilson's request. Otherwise this nation will again be ridiculed as merely rattling the tom tom and vauntingly brandishing the "wooden sword."

The president states that if war comes it will not be of our making but because of the deliberate acts of others. In his address to congress, he took particular pains to emphasize the point that in deciding to put American commerce in a state of "armed neutrality," he had no intention of making that a step toward the declaration of war. He is for peace if that can be honorably maintained; but in defense of the rights of this nation and the lives of American citizens, it is difficult to see how any man with American principles at heart should hesitate to support the president in the stand he has taken and in the action he has proposed.

CALLAWAY AND HIS ILK

In the last days of his incumbency as member of congress Rep. Callaway of Texas is spending a large portion of his time denouncing the press and everybody who appears to stand up for American rights. A few weeks ago Mr. Callaway made a sensational speech in congress charging that the J. P. Morgan interests had subsidized twenty-five of the leading newspapers of the country to serve their interests and thus in a measure to control the policy of all the rest of the press of the country. He was promptly offered \$1000 if he could prove that any part of his statement were true, but he has thus far failed to offer any iota of proof in support of it, although he keeps on repeating the statement. His contention is, that all the papers that favor war or even preparedness for war, are doing so because they are paid by the Morgan interests or because they follow the lead of papers so paid.

Mr. Callaway has taken a new tack as appears from an address he delivered in Boston Sunday night in which he made a most virulent attack on the American soldier, charging that he murdered women and children at Vera Cruz, that he was guilty of barbarous acts in the Philippines and that even in the Civil War, Sherman violated every law of civilization in burning Atlanta and trampling over the bodies of American soldiers.

The American soldier needs no defense against such mountebanks as Callaway, but his attack on the army is on a par with his onslaught against the press. Both are indefensible and false and serve only to place the man who makes them under suspicion of serving other interests than those of his country.

Callaway is a southerner, but to the effect of the South he is said, that in seeking re-election, he was defeated by a man who ran on the platform of preparedness. After March 4 he may continue spouting and even make treasonable attacks, but he will not do so as a member of congress. He may then take his place with Senator Works, who on retiring to his constituents after having made what was regarded as an unpatriotic speech, was told that he might betake himself to Germany or to a warmer place, as he preferred.

It is becoming a common practice with some men who pose as leaders and orators, to engage in this crusade against newspapers for favoring a firm stand in defense of American rights. Like Callaway, they charge dishonesty or imitation of papers said to be controlled by some invisible interest. But in view of the number of active spies and bomb-plotters brought to justice while trying to destroy munitions and other property in this country, there is more reason to believe that these vociferous shouters are employed by the German propaganda than that the

press or any large portion of it is subsidized by any selfish interest.

The reliable newspaper, so far as the war news is concerned, is that which publishes all the despatches from the belligerent powers without change or discrimination of any kind. In this class is not included the special pleader for either side nor the special organs representing this or that nationality and whose chief business seems to be to distort the truth and to manufacture lies to suit the prejudice of their readers.

In this connection, it may be well to say a few words on the general attacks made on the press by men who try to make it appear that the papers color the news in favor of one side or the other in the war and even suppress news if it is of the kind they do not like. Such a charge against the daily press in general is idiotic. Yet it is made by men who might be supposed to know that a newspaper that would do so would very quickly go out of business. The people want all the news of the war; and the paper that wants to survive will give them all that gets by the censor.

The only semblance of propaganda work that we know of, is that which appears in the columns of some newspapers in signed articles from writers representing some of the belligerents. When you see a signed article from a special writer in Berlin, you can make up your mind that he is giving what Germany wants to go before the world as otherwise his despatch would not be let out. The same is true of the articles by special writers cabled from London. But the difference is, that there are very few such articles from London while the special writer from Berlin is in evidence several times a week. Whether the newspapers pay these special writers, or whether some agency pays the newspapers for publishing their articles, is a matter on which we do not care to venture an opinion; but the public is not deceived. Readers know how to interpret the special articles cabled from the capitals of the belligerent countries whether Berlin, London, Paris or Petrograd, yet this is but letting all parties tell their own story.

There is nothing in this to impose upon the reading public. The trouble with most of those who complain of war news in the daily press is, that they are so "pro this or pro that," that they refuse to credit what just their

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That most successful of all remedies for women's ailments, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, owes its origin to a fortunate girl, which came from the possession of Lydia E. Pinkham about fifty years ago.
This recipe proved so effective in the practice of a skilled physician that Mrs. Pinkham prepared the herbs and steeped and prepared them in true old-time fashion on her kitchen stove for her friends and neighbors who suffered from the same ailments. The cure of the virtues of this wonderful medicine spread, until it is today recognized as the standard remedy for women's ills.

prejudices. But when any man makes a general charge of deception or even of prejudice against the newspapers, so far as the news despatches are concerned, he is simply stating that which is not true and the charge reflects either upon his intelligence or his veracity.

This war will close perhaps sooner than most people expect and when it is all over, the reading public will then discover that, as usual, the newspapers gave all the most reliable information obtainable in the daily despatches and that the vociferous shouters who cautioned them not to believe what they see in this or that paper were not only liars but demagogues and hypocrites of the worst type.

The newspaper baiters may be divided into three classes as follows:

- (1) Those who are paid by some propaganda for trying to delude the people into believing what is false.
- (2) Those who are so mentally blind or so prejudiced in favor of one side or the other in the war, that they denounce as lies any piece of news they do not like.
- (3) Those who disregard any consideration of law, truth, justice and right in the direction of the war by some of the belligerent powers.


The decent newspaper may be excused if it refuses to be influenced by the howls, the thrusts or the attacks of any of these classes. There is just one course open for such newspapers today and most of them follow it with reasonable faithfulness. It is that of absolute fairness in all news despatches and patriotic support of President Wilson in any step he may take for the vindication of American rights.

Nobody should be so foolish as to assume that any newspaper should relinquish its editorial function of fair comment upon passing events so far as they are ascertainable, whether at the seat of war, in the halls of congress, at the antipodes or elsewhere, merely to pander to ignorance or prejudice. The newspapers of the country would be deserving of all that is said of them by Callaway and other blatherskites of lesser note, if because of the false charges of such critics, they ceased to maintain the battle for law and order, for truth and justice, for God and humanity.

The Sun publishes the war news with absolute fairness and each of its editions has despatches of importance which appear in the Boston papers on the following day, a fact that should appeal to those who want the very latest news.

Seen and Heard

Possibly it is true that two can live cheaper than one, but it depends a good



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deal on how much it costs the one to live.

What the editor thinks of the compositor is mild sometimes compared with what the compositor thinks of the editor.

One disadvantage of making a specialty of Russian literature is disclosed when a friend asks you casually what you are reading.

It is foolish to cherish a grudge when you know the reason for it, but cherishing a grudge when you don't know the reason for it is much foolish.

The minister takes long chances sometimes when he comes down from the pulpit, and greets a parishioner, and asks: "Well, how did you like the sermon?"

When a woman finds that she will have to skip a meeting of the literary club, she knows that the other members will have something to talk about besides the weather.

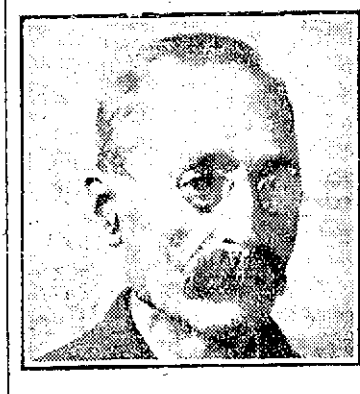
Age Improves Some Things
He was a prospective advertiser in a country weekly in a town not very far distant where there are two such papers, and approached the publisher of one to discuss the merits of the offer that the other one hadn't," he asked, "One thing about my paper," was the reply, "is that it's a hundred years or more older than the other."

Water Makes One Fat
"Eat more fish and drink milk," says the state commission on the high cost of living, which report no doubt will be applauded by those who deal in these foodstuffs. And while this advice is being passed out along come the milkmen with the declaration that milk ought to bring 20 cents a quart, and there are reports of small fairs and a likelihood of a fish scarcity during Lent. The advice of vegetarians to follow their diet rules might be all right in normal times, but there are a good many vegetable dishes just now

Home People Are Daily Testifying

Well Known Lowell Citizens Daily Add Their Praise For the New Stomach Remedy.

The Plant Juice Man, who has his headquarters at 200 Middlesex Street, in Merrimack Square, in a recent interview, stated: "As soon as one notices that all run down feeling, lack of appetite, and shortness of breath, fermenting of food and constipation; these are the warning symptoms of a deranged stomach. One should not



CHARLES GRIMARD.

wait until the color has left the cheeks, and the lips are white, dark circles under the eyes, and with the feeling that they are dragging one foot after another, like an old worn out man. It is so much easier to correct these symptoms in the earlier stages than later. In order to keep one's system in the highest state of efficiency, Plant Juice, the new health stomach remedy, is unexcelled. Scores of Lowell people are now telling of their personal experiences with the use of Plant Juice, and perhaps no other article ever put on the market, has, in such a short time, brought forth so much favorable comment.

Among those who may be publicly quoted, is Mr. Charles Grimard, of No. 70 Gresham Avenue, Lowell, who has many friends and acquaintances in this city, as he resided here for the past 41 years. He said:

"I have been troubled off and on for a number of years with my stomach and could barely keep any solid food in my stomach, as it would ferment and cause me to vomit. I was nervous and dizzy so I was almost afraid to walk in the street for fear of falling. I could not sleep at night and got in a very weak condition. I had pains in my back, my bowels bothered me a great deal, and I felt completely done out. I had read so much about Plant Juice curing people I knew, that I was induced to get a bottle to try it. I am certainly glad that I did, for I am now able to eat all of my meals and enjoy them. I sleep well and have no more trouble with gas. I can eat meat, vegetables or anything I want without the least distress, my bowels are regular, and I am feeling better and stronger than I have for years."

that are in the banquet class if the cost is anything to go by.

Starved in Midst of Plenty
"The Witch," they called her in the neighborhood of her home in Pittsburg. She was 80 years old and lived alone, and the children feared her. When she was found dying of starvation an examination of the house revealed a dusty library of 2000 old books, cases filled with tarnished old-fashioned jewelry, boxes of curious silver and gold coins, silver plate valued at thousands of dollars, suits of medieval armor and dozens of many valuable parcels of real estate. Yet a neighbor told the police that for 15 years she had fed the poor old woman a warm meal every day.

And Bill Kicked the Goose
Bill Varner and his wife of Colony, Kan., were coming to town one day in a one-horse rig and the animal was a skittish colt. Passing Sidney Jeff's house there was a flock of geese in the road. All spread their wings and made their rotatory except one with a broken leg. He seemed to think he had as much right in the blamed old road as a rig anyway, so he spread his wings and started straight toward the colt, hissing all the while. The colt succeeded in snapping the geese and made an about-face in the shafts and looked Bill right in the face as much as to say: "Well, what you goin' to do about it?" The colt decided to run, and made a clean getaway. Bill alighted and kicked the crippled goose, the only thing to get hurt besides the breaching. The Varners feel very lucky at that.

Forgotten
I did not get a valentine.
Nobility clattered up my place.
With protests like "For thee I pine."
With arrows shafted and power face.
This is the Cupid passed me by
as if in Love's eyes I were not.
Sitting in loneliness to sigh.
Apparently by all forgot.
I did not get a valentine.
It must be I am growing old.
I used to worship at Love's shrine.
Now can my heart be growing cold?
I used to love a lot, but now
A lot of loneliness is mine.
And I to my sad heart must bow—
I did not get a valentine!
—Somerville Journal.

They Do Say

That one meets good menagerie time every day.
That the most contemptible thing of all is the ingrate.
That the high prices of onions are a weeping shame.
That for some there ought to be eight hours more in the day.
That the chap in the 20's who knows it all is penitentiary old.
That it will be no hardship to give up potatoes during Lent.
That we never said the city council was composed of great men.
That one shouldn't take too literally all the things other people say.
That rice is a good substitute for potatoes and much more nourishing.
That the prettier the girl the more woodenhead men will join her train.
That we don't know half the really elegant things there are in this world.
That some of the fellows getting \$2500 a year are worth about \$7 a week.
That most men who want the earth would object to paying taxes on ten acres.
That the trouble is some people keep on talking after they have said all they know.
That basketball of the brand showed last Friday night helps the sport immeasurably.
That there are some people with whom a terrible example never makes an impression.
That oftentimes the man who never takes back water is simply being carried along by the current.
That Maine is getting hit hard and in double measure by woman's suffrage and the bone dry law.
That there would be great days to drop it on San Antonio, with the thermometer showing 81 degrees.
That some people are perfectly happy if they can get the alleged comic section of a Sunday newspaper.
That the Concord will be forced to buy new ships pretty soon as their own supply will soon become exhausted.
That it is bad enough not to have the street cars run but with any kind of route signs, but it is worse if they are marked wrong.

PROGRAM OF MUSIC AT WOMEN'S CLUB

THE ELITE QUARTET GIVES VERY NOVEL AND VERY ENTERTAINING CONCERT

The Elite quartet, members of the Boston Symphony orchestra, including Arthur Brooke, date, Herbert Saxelet, violin and piano; Theodore Fitch, harp; and Ludwig Neust, cello, presented a program of merit before the Middlesex Women's Club yesterday afternoon.

The quartet was recently formed but the four members play in perfect understanding and are fully capable of giving a concert of much pleasure. The combination of instruments is rather unusual, but it must be said that it is a happy one. Again the program was not familiar to the audience, although the selections were novel and well played. It may be said that the program was a trial, especially the two numbers by Walckiers, which were without mark or distinction.

Mr. Fitch, the harpist, fingered his instrument beautifully. One can think of nothing else than bubbling brooks when a harp is well managed. Mr. Cella played it in a manner which brought out the fullness and richness of each individual tone and his solo numbers were excellent.

Mr. Brooke in his flute solos artistically displayed the beauty of the instrument in all its registers and he graciously responded to encores.
Mr. Neust played but one solo number, but in this he showed a competent violin tones splendidly and bowed classically throughout.
Mr. Saxelet played the piano accompaniments for Mr. Brooke and Mr. Neust.

The program follows:
Quartet, Andante, Moderato, Allegro.
Andante, Rondo Hungen
Solo
a. Recreio Hungen
b. Bourillon Krantz
Mr. Brooke
Trio, (Violin, Cello, Harp)
a. Liebesbraune List
b. Kleiner Valse Carreno



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Mr. Cella
Quartet, Romance.....Saint Saens
Trio, (Flute, Violin, Cello):
Andante.....Walckiers
Minuet.....Walckiers
Cello solo, Meditation.....Squires
Mr. Neust
Quartet, Bohemian.....Malat

CONDITIONS IN PERSIA
Rev. Y. H. Shabaz Tells of the Country and the Massacre of Christians by Kurds
Rev. Y. H. Shabaz, a native of Persia, who became naturalized in this country and graduated from the Colgate university, and who later went back to his country as a missionary, related his experiences before a united congregation of Worthen Street Baptist and Methodist churches last evening, the lecture being given in the Baptist church. Rev. Mr. Shabaz is a speaker of great ability.
The speaker told of coming to this country while a young man, of being naturalized and of graduating from the Colgate university. He said his first desire after becoming a clergyman was to help the down-trodden women of his native land and after returning to Persia he established a girls' school, which grew from 200 to 500 in attendance, despite the fact that Mohammedan women may not learn to read or write.
Speaking about past and present conditions in Persia, Rev. Mr. Shabaz said:
Persia contains only 6000 Christians in all. The Mohammedans, who compose the rest of its vast population, have been taught to kill all whom they cannot convert.
Near the north-eastern border Russian armies kept the Turks at bay. When war was declared and the troops were taken away, the Mohammedans planned a massacre. Last they should be held to account for it later, they hired the Kurds, whom Mr. Shabaz described as the most savage race on the globe, a million of whom live in the mountains of western Persia and another million of whom live across in the mountains of Turkey.
The story of how these savage people attacked and literally sawed off or cut to pieces all the Christians, the found was vividly pictured by Mr. Shabaz.
Shut up for seven months in hiding from the Kurds, Mr. Shabaz, his American wife and their children were fed daily by a Mohammedan who was a friend of theirs.
Others not so fortunate were in a

1430 PAPERS FORCED TO SUSPEND

BERLIN, Feb.—It has required a 32-page booklet for the imperial post-office to enumerate the list of newspapers and periodical publications in Germany of recognized standing which "temporarily will not appear during the course of the war." The list includes 1430 publications, but of course does not include the hundreds of not thousands of "fly-by-night" papers and magazines which, in many instances, have come into being since the beginning of the war and have died a natural death within a short time.
The 1430 which are enumerated constitute just about one-eighth of the publications that flourished before the war but that have had to cease issue since then because of the increased shortage of paper, high prices, scarcity of labor, dropping circulation and other things. The postoffice cites them all as having suspended "temporarily," but their more fortunate contemporaries insist on enclosing the word temporarily in quotation marks.
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SAGE OF CONCORD LAID AT REST AT CONCORD

BODY OF FRANK B. SANBORN LAID AT REST IN SLEEPY HOLLOW CEMETERY

BOSTON, Feb. 27.—The body of Frank B. Sanborn, the Sage of Concord, and the last of the old abolitionists, was laid at rest yesterday afternoon in Sleepy Hollow cemetery, following simple church services in the First Baptist church of Concord. Immediate relatives and a few friends attended the services, which were conducted by the Rev. Loren B. Macdonald, the pastor, assisted by the Rev. Benjamin H. Bulkeley, a former pastor, and close friend of Mr. Sanborn.

General Charles K. Darling was in charge of the funeral arrangements and met the funeral party, which arrived with the body from Westfield, N. J., yesterday morning.

The immediate family attending included Mr. Sanborn's two sons, Victor and Francis B. Sanborn, who accompanied the body from New Jersey; his sister, Mrs. Josephine Leavitt; Caroline and Louise Sanborn and Louise and Arriana Walker, nieces.

POTATOES DESTROYED

BANGOR, Me., Feb. 27.—Six carloads of potatoes were destroyed in a freight wreck on the Bangor and Aroostook railroad Sunday night, being derailed in a deep cut in the Medford cut-off, blocking the line until late yesterday.

The cars were badly smashed, 150 barrels of potatoes being practically a total loss, frozen, crushed and buried

OVER 42,000 MILES OF FILM EXPORTED

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—More than 42,000 miles of motion picture films were exported from the United States during 1916, according to figures issued yesterday by the foreign trade department of the National City Bank. Of this 30,000 miles were "exported" films ready to be used, containing mainly plays, travel pictures and news photographs. The balance were unexported films, to be used in taking scenes abroad. The total value of the exported films was estimated at \$19,000,000. Great Britain being the chief purchaser.

"The United States is by far the world's largest manufacturer of motion picture films," the bank's statement says, "estimating the entire domestic production at 1,000,000,000 feet, with a value of approximately \$40,000,000."

MUCH STATE LAND FOR MOBILIZATION

MORE THAN 7000 ACRES ARE AVAILABLE, ADJT. GEN. PEARSON TELLS COMMITTEE

BOSTON, Feb. 27.—More than 7000 acres of land, owned by the state, would be available for mobilization points in the event of war, according to information furnished by Adj. Gen. Gardner W. Pearson to the Massachusetts commission on public safety. The plots are scattered all over the state, ranging in size from two acres to 3000 acres and include the grounds about correction schools and other state institutions.

The Province lands at Provincetown include about 5000 acres and other large areas are at the state farm in Bridgewater, 1184 acres; the Industrial School for Boys at Shirley, 890 acres; state infirmary, Tewksbury, 740 acres, and other areas at Lakeville, Canton, North Reading, Penikese Island, Rutland, Westfield, Westborough and Lancaster.

Land also is available for mobilization, the adjutant general pointed out, at the Blue Hill reservation, Middlesex Fells division, Charles River division, and the land adjacent to Normal schools in Bridgewater, Fitchburg, Framingham, Hyannis, Lowell, Salem, Westfield, Worcester and North Adams.

Relating to the condition of military forces, Gen. Pearson informed the safety committee that the actual strength of the Massachusetts militia forces on Jan. 1 of this year was 565 officers and 9850 enlisted men, a total of 10,415, while the war strength of the state forces would be 580 officers and 14,066 men, making a total of 14,646, and showing a deficiency in the present state force of more than 4000 of actual war strength.

Many interesting facts were furnished the committee regarding the organization necessary for a complete New England infantry division, and facts to show what units are lacking in the New England states to constitute such a division.

"A full infantry division is composed of one division headquarters, nine regiments of infantry, one regiment of cavalry, a field artillery brigade, one regiment of engineers, and one aero squadron of two companies," the adjutant general reported. The various sub-divisions of the main division were explained in detail.

In the matter of infantry regiments,

the state together have one battalion and one company more than needed. They are deficient in the cavalry army by supply and machine gun troops, and lack entirely the regiment of engineers and aero squadron. Of the signal troops required, Massachusetts has one complete battalion, New Hampshire has one separate company, and Connecticut one separate company, an excess of two separate companies.

"It would seem to me that the most important measure to be taken at once," the adjutant general informed the committee, "should be to provide ample funds for fully equipping the National Guard at its maximum strength. It seems to me that provision for the organization of depot battalions should be made at once and the necessary excess equipment should be provided and should be stored at the state arsenal now, rather than to wait until an emergency arises."

ASK PREFERENCE FOR NATIONAL GUARDSMEN

ADJT. GEN. PEARSON AND SPANISH WAR VETERANS APPEAR IN FAVOR OF BILL

BOSTON, Feb. 27.—The bill to grant a 5 per cent. preference in civil service examinations to members of the National Guard who have taken part in a war or insurrection, including those who went to the Mexican border last summer, was given a hearing yesterday afternoon by the legislative committee on public service.

Adj. Gen. Pearson, chairman of the legislative committee of the Spanish War Veterans, urged the committee to place the Spanish war veterans on the same footing as the veterans of the Civil war. He appealed to the patriotism of the legislature to reward the men who have sacrificed their positions and offered their lives in 1913 and in 1916 during the trouble with Mexico. He admitted that under the wording of the bill some 6000 men who saw service on the Mexican border would be included.

Adj. Gen. Pearson favored the measure as a stimulant to enlistments. "A soldier is as valuable a man to the country as a policeman or fireman, and to get soldiers you have got to pay them. With the present low pay we have got to hold out all inducements possible to bring men into the service," he said.

Others who spoke in favor of the measure were T. W. Kelly, John L. Linerhan, A. W. Morse, Richard L. Flynn, Charles A. Flannigan, George Nelson, Frank F. Nagel and Joseph F. Scott, all representing the Spanish War Veterans.

The measure was opposed by James H. Devlin, Jr., legislative representative of the city of Boston; Arthur H. Brooks, secretary of the Massachusetts Civil Service association; A. S. Apsey, representing the Massachusetts Police association, and Miss Marion C. Nicholson of the Civil Service association.

The opposition based their arguments chiefly on the point of efficiency. Mr. Devlin declared that since the Civil war veterans' preference bill had been in effect it had worked numerous hardships on department heads who were obliged to fill vacancies by appointing veterans who were often times unfit for the service.

He declared that the proposed bill would create a wide open door to any man who has served in the army or navy whether he was qualified to fill the positions or not.

CARNEGIE HERO COMMISSION

The Carnegie hero commission has requested of the Lowell Waterways commission, full particulars concerning the heroic services rendered by the several persons who during the past year rescued children from drowning in the canals and rivers in Lowell. The names of the men who have been recommended to the Carnegie hero commission by the waterways commission for distinguished valor the past year, are Theophilus Courtois, Edgar Ally, Michael Delahanty, Arthur Booth, Walter Richard Courtney, Jos. M. Ayette, John J. Gildee, and Henry Jalbert.

The Waterways Commission, desires the names of the children rescued by the following persons:

Arthur Booth rescued from drowning an unknown boy in the Merrimack Canal, opposite the York Club, September 14th, 1916.

Michael Delahanty rescued an unknown boy in the Pawtucket Canal, opposite the Wilson machine company, September 14th, 1916.

Henry Jalbert rescued an unknown boy January 15th, 1917.

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FLAGS AT HALF STAFF FOR F. B. SANBORN

TRIBUTE TO SAGE OF CONCORD—TEACHERS' RELIGIOUS BILL PASSED TO THIRD READING

BOSTON, Feb. 27.—Flags at the state house will be kept at half-staff for the next three days in memory of Frank B. Sanborn, sage of Concord, who was buried at Concord yesterday. Resolutions to this effect were passed by the house of representatives yesterday afternoon on motion of Representative Odell of Lynn.

The bill to prohibit school committees from asking prospective teachers questions relative to religious beliefs, which had been passed through one reading last week, came up for debate yesterday on an amendment of Mr. Beardsley of Boston, who voted for the bill last week, but whose amendment would permit asking candidates for positions questions "relative to the belief in a Supreme Being."

The amendment was lost, 27 to 85, and the bill was passed to a third reading. Reconsideration was refused on the bill providing that employees of clubs be paid weekly.

A bill to put employees of the state treasurer's and auditor's departments under the civil service, favorably reported from committee, was defeated, 19 to 92.

The house admitted a petition for a street railway parallel with the Cape Cod Canal.

Committee reports received included: Municipal Finance—Bill allowing the city of Lawrence to appropriate \$5000 outside of the debt limit for completing the Central grammar school; also one of \$425,000 outside the debt limit for a new high school building.

Public Lighting—Leave to withdraw petition of Joseph McGrath for valuation of Lawrence to appropriate \$5000 for Electric Illuminating company of Boston and of the Boston Consolidated Gas company.

Social welfare—Bill providing for a meal hour of at least 45 minutes for all women and persons under 18 years of age employed in factories. Petition of John F. Carr for retirement of janitors of public schoolhouses. Senator Wilson dissents.

Banks and Banking—Leave to withdraw petition of the Fitchburg Co-operative bank for an increase in the amount which co-operative banks may invest in real estate.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

There was a big attendance at the regular meeting of Gen. Adelbert Ames camp, Sons of Veterans, in Memorial hall last night. An invitation was received to attend the meeting of James A. Garfield Relief Corps on March 8. During the course of the evening Past Commander A. D. Mitchell presented the camp a picture of the officers who had charge of the camp during 1916.

Comrade George E. Worthen donated a prize cup made from a three-inch Russian shell. Among the visitors present were State Senior Vice Commander Heatter, State Junior Vice Commander Kelley, State Department Commander Buzzell, Assistant Department Adjutant C. J. Glannagan, Patriotic Instructor Woolridge and Department Commander John J. Linerhan. All of Lynn were present.

The Military Order of the Serpent held a meeting Saturday night in Macchinet's hall. Many visitors from Lynn were on hand.

The regular meeting of Loyal Integrity lodge, I.O.O.F. No. 61, was held last night, Noble Grand Frederick C. M. Silk presiding. There was a large attendance and considerable routine business was transacted. Committee reports were presented and they proved to be of a favorable nature.

The blue degree was conferred upon two brothers, after which an interesting talk on the work of the fish and game commission was given by C. B. Livingston, a member of that body, he having been invited so to do at a previous meeting.

The state association held its regular meeting at the same place Sunday.

Today's Fashion Hint



Peachblow satin coated around the bottom and overhung with a beautiful shadow, here shown, makes a fetching negligee. The free waist is girlish with a wreath of tiny pink berries, like a bunch in the cap.

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day morning. The attendance was much increased and included some visitors from Wameet lodge. Among the latter was P.G. Frank Bowles, who sang several songs during the opening social hour. The officers for the present six months were installed by P. G. Lee MacKenzie, assisted by Brother Roland Rozanson as conductor, as follows: President, Thomas M. Smith; vice president, William Hudson; treasurer, A. W. Henderson; secretary, Edward T. Mackley. President Smith officiated at the piano in a most capable manner as the treasurer was being installed, the latter being unable to act as pianist and be installed at the same time.

Four new members joined the association. A long and intricate drill was conducted by N.G. Fred C. M. Silk and V.P. William Hudson. The next meeting will be held in Encampment hall, Gold Fallow Temple, Sunday morning, March 11. Elevator service, 10 a. m. to 11 a. m.

At the next meeting of the lodge proper, Monday, March 12, a large class of new members is to be initiated.

A degree staff to perform the work

SAYS FOREIGNERS KNOW OUR NAVAL SECRETS

A sensation was caused in Washington by the revelation of Rear Admiral Robert S. Griffin, engineer in chief of the navy, that the plans for the new battle cruisers have reached foreign governments.

So seriously is the situation viewed that congress will be asked to pass a

of initiation was formed Sunday afternoon when representatives of committees from Courts Merrimack, Middlesex, Dimen and Champlain met.

Sub Chief Ranger Henry O'Donnell of Court General Dimen was the presiding officer and the following officers were chosen for the degree team: Chief Ranger Henry O'Donnell, Sub Chief Ranger Thomas F. Kelley, Past Chief Ranger Henry Dupree, Lecturer Francis Murphy, Capt. Joseph Leavitt, Senior James J. Dunn and the remaining officers were selected from the different representatives present.

A rehearsal of the committee work and floor movement was gone through under the supervision of Director J. W. Sharkey and was carried out in a manner that reflected great interest among those present. During the meeting, remarks of interest were made by James J. Dunn, Thomas F. Kelley, John Condon, Henry Dupree, James H. Hillare and Chairman O'Donnell. It was voted to hold the next rehearsal on Sunday, March 4, at 2:30 o'clock. At the close of the meeting, literary exercises were held and a most enjoyable entertainment was given by the Foresters of America Glee club.

21 AIR ATTACKS MADE ON VENICE

VENICE, Feb.—Venice has been attacked from the air 21 times since the beginning of the war. The first bombardment took place the day war was declared. All the attacks have been by aeroplanes. The number of visits was eight in 1915 and 13 in 1916.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SOCIETY

The annual reunion of the Christian Endeavor societies of the city and surrounding towns was held last evening at the Y.M.C.A. The event was attended by more than 400 Endeavorers and the entire building was given over to their pleasure. The assembly halls were decorated with streamers and lights and games were enjoyed throughout the evening.

The reunion was in charge of the



REAR ADMIRAL ROBERT S. GRIFFIN

drastic measure imposing fine and imprisonment on any person who gives away a naval or military secret.

Rear Admiral Griffin in making his charges sets the responsibility directly at the door of some of the engineers and shipbuilders who were prospective bidders on the battle craft and who received the navy department's plans under the seal of confidence.

Hardly had the plans been out before the department learned certain foreign governments were in possession of them, it is alleged.

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social committee of the union with Miss Ella M. Penn, chairman. She was assisted by Miss Bertha Stewart, Miss Gustafsen, Mr. Harmon and Augustus Dutton.

INTERCOLLEGIATE CONFERENCE
NORTON, Feb. 27.—A two days' intercollegiate conference on vocational opportunities for college women was opened at Wheaton college today under the auspices of the Young Women's Christian association.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ASS'N.
BOSTON, Feb. 27.—Educators and religious leaders gathered here today for the 14th annual convention of the Religious Education association. The meetings will extend over three days. Preliminary sessions were held today with the first general session set for tonight.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

Hurrah! How's This
Cincinnati authority says corns dry up and lift out with fingers.

Hospital records show that every time you cut a corn you invite lock-jaw or blood poison, which is needless, says a Cincinnati authority, who tells you that a quarter ounce of a drug called Frezoon can be obtained at little cost from the drug store but is sufficient to rid one's feet of every hard or soft corn or callus.

You simply apply a few drops of Frezoon on a tender, aching corn and soreness is instantly relieved. Shortly the entire corn can be lifted out, root and all, without pain.

This drug is sticky but dries at once and is claimed to just shrivel up any corn without inflaming or even irritating the surrounding tissue or skin. If your wife wears high heels she will be glad to know of this.

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MORE BAD NEWS ON THE TAX QUESTION

Special to The Sun.
STATE HOUSE, Boston, Feb. 27.—That a considerable increase in the amount of the state tax for this year is inevitable is the opinion expressed today by Rep. Joseph E. Warner of Taunton, house chairman of the ways and means committee. Rep. Warner said:

"I believe that it will be impossible to prevent an increase in the state tax this year. The amount of the increase depends largely on the curtailment of expenditures for new activities, special objects and outlays for improvements."

"The consideration of that section of the state budget covering current maintenance and operating expenses for existing state activities and for debt and interest requirements has been practically finished, with the expectation that \$1,000,000 will be cut out of the departmental expenditures leaving the authorized expenditures for these purposes \$2,000,000 more than last year, a total of about \$22,000,000."

"The committee started with requests of about \$4,000,000 more than was appropriated last year. In many cases the committee could exercise discretion as a fixer of rates, but has been inhibited or restrained by previous legislation or by a referendum vote of the people. The following increases over last year may be so considered: Constitutional convention, \$400,000; administration of the income tax, \$250,000; consolidation of the state, \$17,000; Massachusetts Agricultural College, \$500; charitable purposes, \$212,000; subsidies to cities and towns for maintaining tuberculosis hospitals, \$27,000; reimbursements to cities and towns for maintaining industrial schools, \$50,000; public school teachers' pensions, \$2,000; obligations on account of the state debt, \$121,000; interest requirements, \$125,000; total \$1,578,000."

"Other demands, only to a degree less imperative on account of higher prices for supplies and materials, are: Purchase of paper, \$30,000; maintenance of state institutions for charitable and correctional purposes, \$1,000,000; educational, largely for growth of the university extension division, \$60,000; and many smaller increases aggregating \$600,000. Of the five items above, the increase over last year of \$545,000 for debt and interest requirements demands serious consideration. The committee feels that the state policy in the matter of borrowing money to finance public works must be changed, so that direct debt having liability of fifty per cent over the last five years, and on Nov. 5, 1916, was \$20,577,256.76; the annual interest requirements are now almost \$2,000,000."

CONTRIBUTES TO WAR FUND
LONDON, Feb. 26.—Hong Kong, Great Britain's Chinese colony, has made a gift of five million dollars towards the prosecution of the war. It will be paid partly from current revenue and partly from the proceeds of a local loan of three million dollars raised in the colony.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

KEITH'S THEATRE
The "Cabaret Girl," which tops the bill at B. F. Keith's theatre this week is a useful comedy of the abbreviated type. There is a charming, attractive singer and six musical numbers are used in the act. The costumes of the chorus and principals are uncommonly attractive, and Minnie Kloter as the cabaret girl sings well and is decidedly pretty.

The touch in the act are Frank Morgan, Edith Abbott and Clarence Marks. Mr. Morgan and Miss Kloter use their voices with much skill in the duet, "Triumph of Love." It is not within our remembrance when an audience has demanded more of a couple than was asked of Jim and Betty Morgan, hence a song wonderfully well and her singing of "Come Out of the Kitchen, Mary Ann" was the big hit of the act. This song was written by Van and Belle, who also were the composers of "Don't Bite the Hand That's Feeding You." Jim Morgan plays the piano and then shifts to the violin. Then just before starting to sing, he turns over to the clarinet. He fingers the steps on the latter instrument with great agility and although it is hard to tell whether any of the thing, he keeps the music coming all the time. It is rich comedy and he is helped out by Miss Morgan, who plays the guitar. Van and Belle make their entrance to the stage just about where they want them to go. They skip these New Zealand playthings through the theatre and the funny-shaped misses always come back in graceful, lithe heads of the audience and he knows his right to go accurately that it curves back and sweeps majestically through a small hoop held by Belle. Van also is a skillful imitator of birds and animals, his imitation of a robin being absolutely true to life.

John E. Henshaw and Grace Avery appear on the bill in place of Miss Ray and J. Gordon Fowler. Mr. Henshaw has been seen in Lowell's theatre before and his act this time is straight comedy. The pair talk all the time and seemed to please last night.

Mr. Smith and Constance Farmer slip over a little nonsense with the proper amount of pep behind it, and sing a little. Constance is a clever clogs modeler, and Blane & Bert, who, by the way, are clever workers for small fellows—close the bill.

The Pathe News still continues to be a feature of the bill each week and this week's installment contains many views of wide interest. Good seats for the remainder of the week may be secured in advance at the box office. Phone 28.

LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

The Emerson players are this week presenting to the many patrons of the Opera House a three-act drama entitled "Help Wanted," a brisk composition from the pen of Jack Lait, a Chicago newspaperman. The play is interesting from start to finish and contains just enough comedy to keep the audience in good humor throughout the evening. "Help Wanted" is a story of modern days and is built around the trials and

tribulations of young women who seek employment in the business of the day. It tells a straightforward story of modern life and reveals nothing beyond the realm of possibility. It deals with "Gertrude Meyer," an innocent 17-year-old girl, who enters the employment of a wealthy importer, whose one weakness is for pretty faces and a desire to conquer the prettiest among those in his office force. He endeavors to take unfair advantage of Gertrude's innocence, but fortunately his scheming efforts are thwarted by his foster son, who falls in love with the girl and eventually marries her.

The rest of the work falls upon Millard Vincent, as the wealthy importer and he does the part justice. Miss Ann Glynn appears as the innocent girl and her work, as usual, is very commendable. Others who appear to good advantage in parts well suited to their talents are Miss McLeod, Miss Jessie Brink and Ernest G. Kost. "Help Wanted" will be repeated twice daily for the remainder of the week.

THE PLAYHOUSE

The much discussed film, "The Little Girl Next Door," an innocent little tale that might suggest most any kind of story, but the one it presents, after a week's engagement at the Playhouse, yesterday afternoon before a small house and with a question mark in the audience's mind, the film that didn't work very well. The film that was presented had been expurgated to some extent as the result of the Boston censors, and the indication that it will be still further curtailed here if it completes its Lowell engagement.

The story of the "Little Girl Next Door" in itself is only a feature of the entire film telling the sad but true story of many a young life, but the film in the main is nothing more or less than a series of scenes, the test-tube scenes, even before the vice commission of the state of Illinois at its hearings which resulted in the conviction of many of the slavers and the houses of ill-fame. It opens up with an explanation of the law, and the result of the commission, showing the legislature in session, the governor, lieutenant governor and other officials, and then proceeds to the hearing of the commission at which the Magdalenes testify, after which the testimony is heard by the jury on the film. It shows the many ways in which the white slavers lure their victims, supposedly in illustration of sworn testimony of witnesses, and a scene in which a snafu as a snafu surely paints a picture of the vice through it. It introduces social service workers, rescue league crusaders, anti-white slave crusaders, police and ministers, and tells you what they have to say about the curse of white slavery and then illustrates the disclosures that they have made during their investigations. Scenes are shown that never existed in Lowell and which could not exist in a community of this size and character. The scenes of the scene are all scenes of the scene, and all scenes have always been in Lowell, and concerning which they would be better off if kept in ignorance, particularly the younger element.

The excuse for the picture is that it teaches a powerful moral lesson and that it shows the many ways in which the white slavers lure their victims and the like are introduced into it. But just why, when the picture is suddenly concluded, the speaker is suddenly shown from Chicago to Washington and shown a number of residences which the film explains were notorious houses of ill-fame and where many of the white slavers lived. The picture concludes by showing a picture of our old friend Champ Clark coming out of the capitol, passing underneath.

The promoters argue that the expense of vice in all its wickedness is the best way to rid the world of vice, a proposition with which many people are in accord. It recalls the words of the poet:

"Vice is a monster that is to be seen, But seen too often, once familiar with her face, she fades, then pity, then embrace."

The management announces that no minors under 16 years of age will be admitted, and (its well, though the age limit should be raised to 21.

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

The Merrimack Square theatre presented a splendid bill of features yesterday afternoon and evening. The featured attraction was "The Fortunes of Fifi" starring Blanche Sweet. Fifi appears in a role which she interprets with consummate skill. She is a French actress who is one-third extreme comic, one-third irresistible charm and one-third irresistible beauty. The play deals with the incidents in the life of a little French actress, "Fifi," who is determined to climb her way to the top of the hill of fame, and in fact this she does, and in more ways than one she realizes her heart's ambition. "The Fortunes of Fifi" will please all of "Miss Clark's" admirers. It will be shown again at the Merrimack Square theatre today and tomorrow.

Also proving a most delightful number with the audiences yesterday was the five act play, "Public Opinion," starring the irresistible Blanche Sweet. The play deals with the occult, and justice attempts to guide the hand of justice and direct the public gaze from a falsely accused person. The theme is most fascinating as all will agree. This picture will also be presented again today and tomorrow, as will the photographs and other excellent features on this big bill.

CROWN THEATRE

Appearing for the first time as a Mutual play, Mary Miles Minter, the youngest screen star in the world, appeared many of the new Crown Theatre yesterday. Her wonderful portrayal of the sweet-disposed, good little girl in the new Mutual masterpiece, "Don't Bite the Hand That's Feeding You," is a most interesting and charming. Mrs. Vernon Castle, America's best known and best dressed woman will also be seen on the same program at the Crown today in the third chapter of the great prehistoric serial, "The Great Secret." Excellent attractions will also be presented today at the Crown.

OWL THEATRE

In one of the most exciting and best Triangle plays ever filmed, Wilfred Lucas will again be seen at the Owl theatre this afternoon and evening in "Jim Rhodes," a wonderful pictureization of the famous poem, by John Hay, which deals with the early life in the

11 YEAR OLD BOY LEAPS TO DEATH IN RIVER

MACHIAS, Me., Feb. 27.—Worked into a nervous frenzy by the taunts of his schoolmates and fear of punishment from his stepfather, Lloyd South, aged 11, leaped into the Machias river yesterday afternoon and was drowned.

His stepfather, W. H. Hanson, who jumped into the icy water after him, had nearly reached the edge of the shore when he was hurled and exhausted, he lost his hold and the boy sank. Mr. Hanson was rescued just in time by two men in a boat.

It appears that the stepfather went to the school that Lloyd attended and questioned him sharply as to where he got the spending money which he carried with him. He told him which said his mates taunted him and said he was to be arrested. He did not go home with his brother and sister as usual, and Mr. Hanson started to look for him. Lloyd was his father coming after him, punishment, run to the edge of the dam and jumped in.

Mr. Hanson is prostrated from exhaustion and grief. He seems to have been a target for misfortune. He lost an eye in an accident, his first wife died, his home was burned and he feels the death of his stepson keenly. He says he had treated him kindly and only wanted him to be a good boy.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS

The United States Civil Service commission announces competitive examinations to be held as follows:
Feb. 28.—Assistant shop superintendent, (male), salary, \$5.00 per diem.
Mar. 13.—Electrical machinist, (male), salary, \$12.00 per annum.
Mar. 20.—Foreman brickmaker, (male), salary, \$12.00 per annum; engineer of tests, (male), salary, \$4,000 per annum; inspector of gauges, (male), salary, \$2,000 to \$2,400 per annum.
Mar. 21.—Junior mechanical engineer,

Mississippi valley. Francis Bushman in the stellar roles of the eighth chapter of the sensational serial "The Great Secret." Holbrook Blinn will be seen at the Owl tomorrow and Thursday, appearing in "Fido," the second of the famous seven deadly sins series. Other attractions will also be shown.

Academy of Music

Crowded houses greeted the Majestic Musical Comedy company in their presentation of "College Chums" at the Academy of Music yesterday afternoon and evening.

Tom Carroll, who is a Manchester boy, and well known to his fellow city, is one big scream in his presentation of comedy. He is the "like Lavinsky" and has a laugh-producing from start to finish. The part of "Charley" in the presentation of the scene "Charley's Apartments" has a good opportunity to show his ability as does Ted Farrum, who takes the part of "Sir Francis." George Kingsbury as "Jumbo" is another great laugh maker.

The feature of the show, however, is the act of Trout, Bubbles and Mermaid. Trout is the man, Miss Violes the girl and Bubbles the seal. The three perform a scene in which Trout is an artistic aquatic artist. Miss Violes is without a peer and the seal is almost human. The act is in a glass tank filled with water. As the pair repose in the tank, apparently contented, people are requested that they hold their breath while Bubbles and Violes are submerged. They eat, sleep and do other stunts which puzzle the audience. At last night's performance Trout kept

B. & M. RECEIVERSHIP MADE PERMANENT

BOSTON, Feb. 27.—The temporary receivership which has been in control of the affairs of the Boston & Maine railroad since Aug. 23 was made permanent yesterday by Judge Morton in the United States district court.

James H. Hustis, the president of the road, who has been acting as receiver, was authorized to contract for steel rails and other supplies for 1918 to the extent of \$2,071,000.

The commonwealth of Massachusetts, which is the holder of one of the largest claims against the road, was allowed to intervene in any proceedings for the cancellation of the road's contracts with the state, for an increase in rates or change in tariff schedules and for any compromise of the \$4,000,000 claim of the Hampden railroad against the Boston & Maine.

In deciding to make the receivership permanent, Judge Morton took occasion in the course of his opinion to rebuke the minority stockholders, who have been contesting the receivership. He referred to them as "a comparatively small but contentious group, who appear to have resorted to charges of fraud or of breach of duty in an effort to obscure the exact nature of their real complaint."

The court also found that the present board of directors had acted with integrity and ability for the best interests of the road, and declared that there was not the slightest foundation for the charges of fraud made against them.

PRESIDENT'S SISTER-IN-LAW DEAD

ROANOKE, Va., Feb. 27.—Mrs. Mary Mary, sister of Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, died here yesterday afternoon after an operation for peritonitis.

(male), salary, \$1,000 per annum.
Mar. 21-22.—Aid, (male), bureau of standards, salary, \$800 to \$720 per annum; civil engineer and superintendent of construction, (male), salary, \$1500 per annum.

under water for three minutes and twenty seconds. Bubbles, the seal, responded to every request and she can do everything but talk.

Allen, the comical musical artist, made a decided hit and had to repeat to numerous encores as did Phyllis and Phyllis in a singing and talking act. As usual there was a reel of moving pictures at the opening of the show which convulsed people with laughter.

The musical numbers during the course of the show were exceptionally good. Bessie Fox, the dainty little comedienne, made a decided hit in the "Fishing Specialty" and she was also good in "How's Everything in Dixie." The opening chorus was productive of much applause and Lucille Cameron and the stipples were given a good hand in "I'll Hide Away, Way Down in Iowa." Joe Baber, assisted by the company, is greeted with much applause during the rendition of "Lost My Gal." "The Artist and the Girl" is presented by Tom Carroll and company and a dance by Carroll, Miss Fox and Joe Baber follows. Otto Raulin is exceptionally good in her rendition of "California." George Kingsbury is excellent in the corner.

"College Chums" will be presented this afternoon and evening and tomorrow, the presentation being "A Day at the Circus."

ROYAL THEATRE

A splendid performance is offered today at the Royal theatre, with the latest Metro wonderplay, "Vanity," starring the bewitching star, Miss Emma Wehlen, whose former laurels were won in European theatrical centers. It is a play with a moral. It was written by Ayton Hoffman, and directed by Beverly Bayne will also be seen

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JEWEL THEATRE
Tonight a fine show will be seen at the Jewel theatre where the Metro drama, "Sporing Blood," a romance of the race tracks featuring Dorothy Bernard and Glen White, will be shown in conjunction with a fine lot of Universal pictures and the regular weekly amateur show, conducted by Mr. Cohen, whose avocations and hobbies are so, otherwise it could not be presented at this theatre, which holds fast to the better motion picture plays. All showing are: "The Bad Men of Cheyenne," a western drama, "Sammy Johnson Slumbers Not," a comedy, "Married," and "Civilization of the Far East." Shows continue afternoons at 2 and evenings at 7. Daily announcements of the programs will appear in The Sun.

COLONIAL THEATRE
Yesterday appreciative audiences witnessed the performance, afternoon and evening, of "Nephtune's Daughter," featuring Annette Kellermann, "the perfect woman." People left the theatre astounded at the wonderful portrayal of the mermaid, and the perfect woman. It is surely one film production that will never be forgotten by all who witnessed it. This evening offers the last opportunity to see this picture.

Dr. Peter MacQueen
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EMMY WEHLEN
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The Wonderful Picture You'll Never Forget
SECOND EPISODE OF
"The Purple Mask"—(The Suspect)
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TOMORROW AND THURSDAY
Allan Holubar in "Heart Strings"
A 5-Part Red Feather Feature
"The Bad Men of Cheyenne"
Western Drama
"Sammy Johnson Slumbers Not," "Scrappily Married," "Civilization of the Far East."
Performances at 2 and 7. All Seats 5c and 10c

CROWN THEATRE
TODAY—The World's Youngest Movie Star
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In the Delightful Mutual Masterpiece
YOUTH'S ENDORSEMENT CHARM
MRS. VERNON CASTLE
In the Third Episode of
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—TODAY—
Wilfred Lucas in "Jim Bludso"
A Wonderful Triangle Play From the Famous Poem of the Same Name
Bushman and Bayne in "The Great Secret," Holbrook Blinn in "Fido," the second of the Seven Deadly Sins series.

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10 AMERICANS PERISHED

Destruction of Cunard Liner With Loss of American Lives Looked Upon by American Government as a Clear Cut Violation of American Rights

CITY COUNCIL WILL GIVE STILES HEARING ON HIS REMOVAL

The municipal council this morning voted to give Andrew G. Stiles a hearing on his removal from the office of city treasurer on Thursday morning at 11 o'clock. The date was set following receipt of a communication from Mr. Stiles asking for more time in which to prepare his case, that he might answer the charges preferred against him. Mayor O'Donnell and Commissioner Donnelly favored an ex-

WAS ROBBED BY MEN HE BEFRIENDED

FREDERICK A. GROVES LOST
WATCH AND MONEY—POLICE
CLUES CASE

Frederick A. Groves while trying to prove that he was a good Samaritan was touched for a watch and \$1.10 in money. Meeting Walter Smith and John Prayne on the street he took them into his room, but it was a case of the first man up was the best dressed man. Prayne made a getaway during the early part of the morning and Smith left a short time

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tension of the time and the mayor made a motion that two more weeks be granted Mr. Stiles. This motion was defeated, three to two. Commissioner Brown then moved that Thursday be the date set for a hearing and that Mr. Stiles be so notified. This motion passed, the same ratio of three to two prevailing.

Angus A. MacDonald, state inspector
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Later when Groves awoke he found that his timepiece and money were missing. He reported the matter to the police and Sgt. Peirce, who was assigned to the case, got a clue which led him to Dummer street. He saw Smith and Prayne together but it was evident they knew him for after getting a glimpse at him they started to run. Prayne got away but later Smith was arrested. Smith was arraigned in police court this morning and was ordered to pay a fine of \$20.

House of Correction
When the case of George Georgulis was called, the complaint of non-support having been made by his wife, Rev. Panos G. Ginerles said that he had been speaking with the woman this morning and that the differences between the couple had been settled. When questioned the woman denied that she had agreed to a settlement. After stating her case she said that she had no faith in her husband and when he was called to testify he appeared indifferent and did not care whether he was sent away or not and just for that Judge Enright imposed a sentence of three months in the house of correction. After sentence was pronounced the defendant changed his mind and entered an appeal.

Charles A. Johnson, it was alleged, threatened his wife, Mary, saying: "I will get you yet." Owing to family differences divorce proceedings are in progress, but the court found that even if such was the fact the defendant had no right to threaten his wife and ordered him to recognize in the sum of \$200 to keep the peace for six months.

Joseph S. Kennedy was charged with larceny from the A. C. Pollard Co. and received a suspended sentence. Samuel Pappas has not been coming for his wife lately and when he appeared before the court this morning he was ordered to pay a fine of \$25.

The case of John Doyle, charged with threatening, was continued for one week by agreement.

Michael Burke admitted that he had been imbibing more freely than wisely in intoxicating liquors and was willing to go to jail in order to recuperate. He was sentenced to thirty days in the Thorndike street mansion.

The Honey Box Quartet will assist Peter MacDermott at Colonial hall, tomorrow night, benefit of the Children's Home. A big attendance is expected.



Interest Begins Saturday, March 3
If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

SINKING OF LACONIA "THE OVERT ACT"

Opposition in Congress to Giving Pres. Wilson Broad Authority to Deal With U-Boat Menace—Republicans Favor Modifying the Phrase "Other Instrumentalities" — Official Report on Deaths of Americans

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The sinking of the Laconia with the loss of American lives is looked upon by the American government as a clear cut violation of American rights, according to an authoritative expression of opinion obtained after a conference between President Wilson and Secretary Lansing. No further investigation is considered necessary.

Two American women and 10 American negro firemen are listed as lost.

Report 10 Americans Lost
While details of the deaths of ten Americans in the unwarmed coming in today, the opposition in congress to giving President Wilson the broad authority to deal with the submarine menace began taking definite form and showed considerable strength.

At the White House it was made known authoritatively that the destruction of the Laconia was a clear and ruthless violation of American rights and life, a demonstration of what might be expected in the future, of sufficient force to hurry congress into clothing the president with full authority to meet the peril.

Nevertheless, the house foreign affairs committee, after debating the Flood bill which has the backing of the president decided that the broad powers to be conferred by the use of the phrase "other instrumentalities" should be modified and that the president should be limited to using the "naval forces of the United States, including the naval militia."

In the senate foreign relations committee republicans voted solidly against giving the president blanket authority and it was reported they drew support from three democrats, Senators Stone, Hitchcock and O'Gorman.

No formal action was taken in either committee and while the house committee was in adjournment until this afternoon, Chairman Flood took to the White House proposed amendments, including one to prohibit arming of ships carrying munitions or contraband, and another to limit the president's authority.

Administration officials considered the attitude of congress in the face of the Laconia case of sufficient importance to discuss sending an official report on the killing of the Americans to congress in some official way.

Protest Granting Authority
Senators and representatives began receiving telegrams today from emergency peace federation protesting

against granting to the president the authority he yesterday asked from congress.

It was announced here that a delegation headed by Jane Addams of Chicago, would seek an audience tomorrow with the president and the foreign affairs committee of congress to protest against steps being taken, which the announcement describes as "contemplated towards war between the United States and Germany."

The senate committee had decided to redraft the whole bill to make it more explicit.

The right to arm ships, it was said, would take the form of authorizing owners of all American ships to arm and defend them and authorizing the government to supply guns and gunners for this purpose.

All members of the foreign relations committee were virtually agreed, however, that a measure giving the president authority to arm merchant ships and defend the neutrality of the United States and to give him further authority to safeguard the property and rights of Americans on the high seas would be risk business.

The committee has under consideration a law passed in 1915, relating to piracy which authorized the president to convey ships for their protection in an emergency.

**CUNARD CO. GIVES LIST
OF PASSENGERS LOST**

LONDON, Feb. 27.—The Cunard Co. gives the following names of the Laconia's passengers missing and supposed to have been lost:

MRS. MARY HOY.
MISS ELIZABETH HOY.
C. P. IVATTS.
WILLIAM L. ROBINSON.
DR. FORTUNAT ZYNDEL.
WILLIAM EVA.

Four members of the crew also are given as missing.

**CUNARD OFFICIALS REPORT
12 DEAD AND MISSING**

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—The follow-

ing cablegram was received here early today by Cunard line officials from the Liverpool offices:

"Regret to advise you Mrs. Hoy and daughter, also C. P. Ivatts, are dead and were buried at sea. Dr. Fortunat Zynedel and Wm. L. Robinson, cabin passengers, are unaccounted for."

"In the second cabin William Eva is unaccounted for, as are two firemen, three coal trimmers, the ship barber from the crew, making a total of twelve dead and missing, from the ship."

**SINKING OF LACONIA
THE OVERT ACT**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Official dispatches confirming reports of the death of Americans on the Laconia, torpedoed without warning, established the case as "the overt act."

The view prevailed that the sinking of the Laconia should hasten action by congress. The first step of the government, it is indicated, will be to furnish American ships with guns and gunners for defensive purposes and insure them in the government war risk bureau.

On the basis of the official reports the sinking of the Laconia is regarded as another Lusitania case in principle, even though fewer lives were lost.

President Wilson, it was said today, is opposed to calling an extra session of congress unless it is absolutely necessary. Word has been conveyed to

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**BRYAN OPPOSES
BROAD POWER
TO PRESIDENT**

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 27.—W. J. Bryan, in a statement issued here today announced he was opposed to granting powers to the president such as Mr. Wilson requested of congress yesterday. He announced he would go immediately to Washington and use his influence to have the request denied.

FORMER POSTMASTER DEAD

BOSTON, Feb. 27.—Samuel R. Mosley, postmaster of Hyde Park before its annexation to this city, died today at his home at the age of 70 years.

He was publisher of the Hyde Park Gazette from 1872 to 1911.

OPEN DISCUSSION OF ARMING SHIPS IN SENATE TODAY

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Open discussion of arming merchant ships came up in the senate today during consideration of the naval bill.

Senator Swanson spoke on an amendment to increase the appropriation for batteries for merchant auxiliaries for the navy.

"Does this contemplate arming of merchant vessels?" asked Senator La Follette.

Senator Swanson, in charge of the bill, replied that the appropriation was designed to provide guns in case of war and does not specifically authorize arming of merchant vessels.

"If congress decided to give such power, this amendment will provide the necessary guns," he added.

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WOMEN READY FOR WAR SERVICE IN WAR CRISIS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The appointment of a committee headed by Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, president of the National Woman Suffrage association to act as an intermediary between the government and the association's two million members in the event their services should be needed in a war crisis, was announced today. The step is the result of a mass meeting here Sunday under the auspices of the association when its entire membership was pledged to the government to aid in war work if the need arises.

THE FOOD SITUATION IN PORTO RICO SERIOUS

SAN JUAN, P. R., Feb. 26.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press).—So serious is the question of food supply in Porto Rico that Gov. Vazquez this week called together the senators and other large planters of the island and urged them to devote a portion of their lands already under cultivation to the raising of beans and other vegetables and fruits for home consumption.

In the event of a war in which the United States became involved, the government would be forced to consider the possibility of the island and New York would be interrupted, paralyzing commerce and depriving the people of the necessities of life. He said that at present the prices of all staples were so high that it was next to impossible for the poor man to live.

SPEEDY MOBILIZATION OF FLEET OF STEEL TUGS

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Marine superintendent of railroads with headquarters in this city today considered plans for the speedy mobilization for government use of the big fleet of steel constructed tug boats in New York waters. Many owners of yachts also prepared to put their craft into commission immediately for patrolling, mine sweeping, mine

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MAN SHOT IN SUPERIOR COURT

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 27.—Amerigo E. Soriero was shot in the leg this morning in Judge Barrows' room in the superior court by Mary Guggliucci.

The shooting took place immediately following the completion of the testimony of her husband, John Guggliucci, who was testifying in an equity suit over a mortgage foreclosure. The accused woman was grasped by sheriffs and the smoking revolver taken from her grasp. To effect the shooting she was forced to stand and fire over the heads of attorneys and a handwriting expert. In doing this her aim was poor and resulted in the bullet taking a downward course, entering the man's leg. The injury is not serious.

50 INVALIDED RUSSIAN SOLDIERS KILLED

LONDON, Feb. 27.—A train carrying 228 invalided Russian soldiers, who were on the way home from Germany through Sweden, went off the track late last night between Gefle and Soderham, says an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Stockholm. The first car, carrying 23 insane Russian soldiers was demolished and all its passengers were killed. About 25 persons in other cars were killed.

The work of rescue was made difficult by the condition of the passengers, most of whom were blind, had lost arms or legs or were otherwise rendered incapable of helping themselves. Their hardships were increased by the fact that the wreck occurred in darkness at a distance from any important town.

WIRELESS FROM U. S. STEAMER FINLAND

REPORTS SHE WILL REACH AMBROSE CHANNEL LIGHTSHIPS TOMORROW

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—The steamship Finland, of the American line, which sailed from Liverpool on Feb. 17 with 156 passengers including many Americans, reported by wireless to her owners here today that she would reach the Ambrose channel lightship a few hours after midnight tonight and would dock about 8 a. m. tomorrow.

The Finland was the third American line passenger vessel to leave England after Germany's proclamation of unrestricted submarine warfare. The others were the New York and Philadelphia. With the arrival of the Finland this line's entire fleet will be tied up in New York for the first time since the Spanish-American war.

Doctor Henry Van Dyke, former American minister to the Netherlands is a passenger on the Finland.

HEARING ON PARDON FOR ROBERT VAUGHN

It is announced that the state parole board will give a hearing next Thursday in Boston on a petition of ex-Senator George E. Marchand and others that Robert N. Vaughn be pardoned from state prison. Vaughn and his brother were sentenced for life for an attempt to kill Governor John W. Healey. The brother was pardoned some time ago.

\$100,000 LOSS BY FIRE AT CLEARFIELD, PA.

CLEARFIELD, Pa., Feb. 27.—Fire which started in the Clearfield opera house early today caused damage estimated at \$100,000. Besides the opera house a number of business houses were destroyed.

FREIGHT RATES ON IRON AND STEEL INCREASED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Increased freight rates on iron and steel from Chicago, Pittsburg and other points in the east to Pacific coast terminals for export were authorized today by the interstate commerce commission. The increases authorized are from 30 cents, the present rate, to 40 cents, from Chicago, and from 42 to 45 cents from Pittsburg. The rates will become effective April 1, and apply to shipments destined for Japan, China and Manila.

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Don't fail to read today's editorial in the Sun on "Railway and His ilk." It will help you to form accurate ideas of war news and newspaper critics.

Mrs. K. Glennerhussett is spending the week in New York looking over the latest spring styles in millinery.

Mrs. Julia Courchesne of Head & Shaw, Central street, has returned from New York, where she attended the spring millinery show.

Dr. Armand Redard of Lynn, president of the French American Historical society of Massachusetts, will give a lecture before the members of the C.M.A.C. at their hall in Cambridge street, Sunday evening, March 11. The speaker will take for his subject, "The Franco-German Antagonism and the Rights of France in Alsace-Lorraine." A musical program will also be prepared for the occasion and the committee in charge is composed of Arthur L. Eng, Esq., Daniel L. Blanchette and Alphonse Fortier, ex-officio.

LAWRENCE MAN ADMITS BURGLARIES HERE

DANIEL MCCARTHY MADE BIG HAULS FROM HOUSES IN HIGHLANDS

Daniel McCarthy, a middle aged man, who claims Lawrence as his home, was arrested in a lunch room in Gorham street last night and according to his own admission made in police court today, he has burglarized several residences in the vicinity of Fayer park in the Highlands district.

When arraigned before Judge Wright this morning he entered a plea of guilty to a complaint charging him with the larceny of two times, each of the value of \$20, from Levi L. Hall. This was but a feeling of elation and he was bound under \$500 bonds until tomorrow morning but before the session of court was over it was learned that many other breaks had been made in the Highlands and the bonds were increased to \$2500.

McCarthy was arrested after a careful search for a thief who had entered houses in the vicinity of Fayer park and McCarthy was traced through the mails at second hand stores.

A short time ago while Sgt. David Farnie was in a second hand store he saw a person in the store. Upon inquiry it was found that the man who had presented the garment was a man in this city. Being questioned by the owner of the store admitted that other articles had been sold to him by the person who had sold the coat.

A careful examination of the coat resulted in the finding of a handkerchief which bore an initial "E." Further investigation resulted in a good description of the man and subsequently his arrest in the restaurant.

When brought to the police station McCarthy told a story that seemed incredible, but when the police made a search of several places mentioned in McCarthy's confession they found a considerable amount of goods.

He said that he had gained entrance to the residence of Levi L. Hall at 24 Fayer park in the Highlands and he was in the house at the present time and the house was closed. He also admitted he broke into the house of Marshall Forrest at 28 Sanders avenue.



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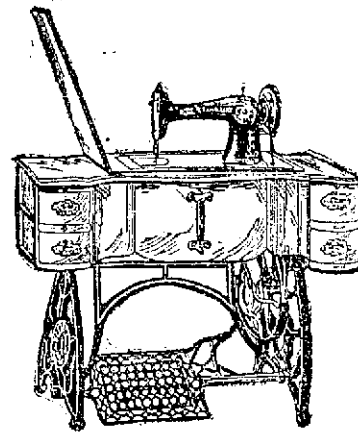
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Pavenport, formerly accompanied the officers in their visit to the Hall house and being very familiar with the interior was surprised to learn of the depredations.

At the conclusion of the court session the meeting McCarthy, accompanied by Sgt. Wade and Sgt. Poirer, viewed several places and more gains were recovered.

AT ROGERS HALL
The Combined Glee and Madolin Clubs of Dartmouth College Will Constitute the Week's Attraction

The Dartmouth college combined Glee and Madolin clubs will be the attraction this week at Rogers hall.

UMBRELLA REPAIRING

SARRE BROS.

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FRANKLIN K. LANE, JR., AND HIS MACHINE

Pictures show young Mr. Lane seated in his aeroplane and also his machine.

While his father sits at the president's cabinet table in Washington seeking ways to keep the country at

peace, Franklin J. Lane, Jr., is preparing for war at Newport News, Va. The son of the secretary of the interior has just turned nineteen. He is qualifying for duty as an officer in the army aviation reserve corps.

CITY COUNCIL

of public buildings for this section, appeared before the council and made a report of his investigation of Lowell school houses. Mr. MacDonald stated that improvements and alterations were needed in 50 local schools, said that the only substance used on school floors and stairways to alleviate dust was inflammable and dangerous, and offered many more suggestions of importance.

The order for the amount of money voted by the city departments for 1917 was passed and also the Lowell school appropriation. The council also went on record as being strongly opposed to the proposed plan of changing the name of the Lowell Textile school and the clerk was authorized to inform the trustees of the school of this action.

The proposed Chambers street playground was discussed at length. Judge Fisher appearing for the Lowell Bleachery and J. Joseph Hennessey for the Wheelock heirs. The council passed a blanket order licensing the sum of \$5,000 for block paving.

A hearing was given on the application of Perry E. Varnum for a garage license in Varnum avenue. It was referred to the commissioner of fire and water.

The L. E. L. Corp. asked permission to erect a pole in old Milton Lane and one pole at Andrews and Barrington streets. William Myers, 102 Andrews street, appeared as a remonstrant to the granting of the latter permit. The matter was referred.

Judge Fisher spoke on the taking of land for the Chambers street playground. Mr. Fisher appeared for the Lowell Bleachery. He said that it was his contention that the passage of the order by the council to seize the necessary land was done illegally, as no notification was sent to the Bleachery. He urged a court of law near the corner of Chambers and Newhall streets, whereby the Bleachery Co. may get a triangular piece of land which the city has seized.

Herbert C. Merrill, for the Wheelock heirs, said that he was opposed to the plan offered by the Bleachery. "It is true," he said, "that the Bleachery Co. was not notified of the seizure by the municipal council, but the treasurer and agent were told by me, personally, that it was very probable that the city would seize this land."

J. Joseph Hennessey appeared for Mr. Merrill and said that he would fight much if the city council had any right to go through with any such transaction after the seizure has been made.

Improve School Buildings

The mayor read a communication from Angus A. Macdonald, state building inspector, which stated that there are 50 school buildings in Lowell which need improvements. He suggested the following changes: The removal of all closets from underneath stairways; the installation of new fire escapes; the supplying of gas stoves by electric lights in basements; the elimination of dirt or dry closets; arrangements for the proper care of children's clothing; and the placing of snow guards on pitched roofs, especially over egresses.

Mr. MacDonald spoke to the council as follows: "I find that there are 50 school buildings in Lowell, where improvements are absolutely necessary. If any accident should occur in Lowell school buildings, it would place this municipal council in a very embarrassing position. There is an inflammable oil being used on the floors and stairs in Lowell schools, which I know is inflammable by tests, and which is most dangerous. It is a real shame to start fires at these schools and the boys should learn this out, the exits would be cut off to children. The fire signal in the schools is not a good one. There is too much chance for confusion in sounding the signal of two strokes."

Mr. MacDonald then made a motion instructing the city clerk to notify the trustees of the Lowell Textile school that the municipal council is strongly opposed to the proposed change of the name of the school from the Lowell Textile school to the Macdonald Textile school.

The motion passed unanimously. A motion was passed vesting authority in Commissioner Morse to notify the National Engineering Co. as to the type of fence most desired for the new Hawthorne bridge.

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sounded three times. I suggest that a supervisor of fire drills be appointed, possibly one of the school masters."

Leroy L. Leland and Leonard Duclos filed claims for personal injuries.

Stiles Asks Hearing

Andrew G. Stiles addressed a communication to the municipal council asking that a hearing be given him relative to his removal from the office of city treasurer. The communication asked that he be given more time in which to prepare his case.

Mr. Warnock moved that Mr. Stiles be given a hearing at some time within the ten days' period set by law.

Mayor O'Donnell: "I think, gentlemen, that we ought to give Mr. Stiles more time. It is a reasonable request, one that would be granted by any one that would be granted by any court or tribunal in the land. As Mr. Warnock's motion has not been seconded, I move that the time be extended two weeks."

Mr. Donnelly seconded the motion.

Mr. Warnock: "Mr. Stiles says in his communication that he did not know of his removal until Feb. 23. I do not think that is true; I think Mr. Stiles has always been cognizant of the fact that he had been removed from office."

Mr. Brown sent for City Solicitor Regan and asked him what procedure would be necessary to extend this time.

Solicitor Regan: "The only thing to do is to rescind the former order authorizing Mr. Stiles' removal and pass another order removing him from office at another date."

The mayor's motion was defeated, three to two, Commissioners Brown, Morse and Warnock voting "no."

Mr. Brown then moved that Mr. Stiles be given a hearing on Thursday of this week at 11 a. m. Mr. Warnock seconded the motion.

Mr. Brown's motion passed, three to two.

Mayor O'Donnell said to the city solicitor that his reason for suggesting to the council the extension of time was that at a later date the good faith of the majority of the council in removing Mr. Stiles from office might be questioned if more time were not granted.

\$50,000 for Paving

Mr. Morse introduced an order to borrow the principal sum of \$50,000 for the construction of stone block permanent paving. Mr. Morse moved it as a motion and it passed, the mayor voting against the motion.

A communication from the waterways commission was read, asking that the city solicitor be instructed to appear before the legislative committee relative to an amendment to the laws pertaining to the proper fencing of waterways. The solicitor was so instructed.

A communication was read from George H. Alford and signed by a number of citizens asking that the council take steps to secure the appointment of Edward Emond as a constable. The communication was laid on the table.

Jackson Palmer appeared for William Hines relative to land damages in the taking of land for a sewer in Bittern street.

An order was introduced by Commissioner Morse appropriating the sum of \$2,400 to cover the budget for 1917. The order passed, Mayor O'Donnell voting against the motion.

Another order was introduced appropriating \$100,000 for the Lowell Textile school. This passed unanimously.

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200 KILLED AND 700 WOUNDED BY EXPLOSION

BERLIN, Feb. 27, by wireless to Sayville.—The Frankfurter Zeitung says it has received from a private source in France by way of Switzerland a report that more than 200 persons were killed and 700 wounded by an explosion of ammunition depots on Feb. 2. According to this report, more than 80,000 tons of ammunition were destroyed.

MOVE TO OUST IMPERIAL CHANCELLOR

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 27, via London.—According to a telegram from Berlin, thirty supporters of Admiral von Tirpitz, former minister of the navy, including Count von Hohenbroech, have held a meeting to discuss "a change in the office of imperial chancellor." It is said to be the purpose of the promoters of this movement to hold meetings in all the large towns of Germany and also to obtain the support of newspapers for the purpose of forcing a change in the head of the government. Socialist and liberal newspapers condemn this action.

DEMOCRATS SELECT MRS. BASSTO HEAD BRANCH

For the first time in the history of American politics a woman's bureau is to be established as a permanent adjunct of the national committee of one of the big parties. On Tuesday, March 6, Mrs. George Bass of Chicago is to be elected by the democratic national

ing to \$672,000. This would make the total cost of building the school about \$2,120,000. I am opposed to paying any such sum of money."

Mayor O'Donnell: "The plans of the school are not final."

Mr. Warnock: "Mr. Bourke tells me that the plans are final."

Mayor O'Donnell: "It is not for Mr. Bourke to say whether or not the plans are final, Mr. Warnock; that is the right of the municipal council."

Mr. Warnock: "If these plans are not final, what is all this steel being sent here for?"

Mr. Brown: "Are you not opposed to the present proposition of the high school?"

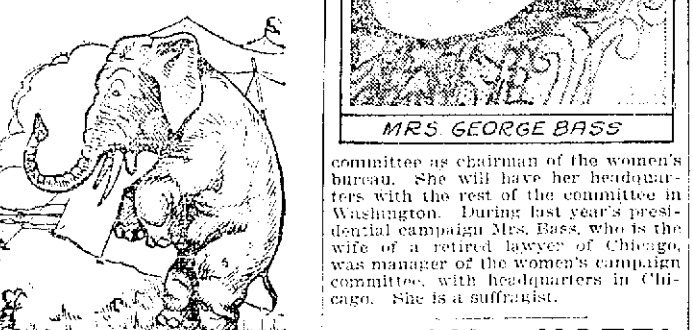
Mayor O'Donnell: "I am not opposed to a new high school, but I am opposed to such an outlay of money. The municipal council has never gone on record as being in favor of spending any such sum of money. I have never let myself become excited over the matter. I have waited until all the facts and figures were before me."

The meeting adjourned until Thursday morning at 11 o'clock, the time set for the hearing for Mr. Stiles.

WHITE STAR LINER CEDRIC ARRIVES

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—The White Star liner Cedric, which left New York on Feb. 12, arrived safely at Liverpool Feb. 22, her agents announced today.

The Cedric had over 8000 bags of mail originally intended for the American liner St. Louis. There were no passengers aboard.



MRS. GEORGE BASS

committee as chairman of the women's bureau. She will have her headquarters with the rest of the committee in Washington. During last year's presidential campaign Mrs. Bass, who is the wife of a retired lawyer of Chicago, was manager of the women's campaign committee, with headquarters in Chicago. She is a suffragist.

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MONSIGNOR MILETTE BURIED TODAY

FUNERAL OF VENERABLE AND BELOVED PRIEST TOOK PLACE TODAY

Funeral services over the remains of the late Rev. Monsignor J. R. H. V. Milette, pastor of St. Louis de Gonzague church, Nashua, N. H., were held this morning at the church which he erected and of which he was pastor for 30 odd years. The attendance filled the church and the congregation included the mayor and city officials of Nashua, the doctors of the city and about 225 clergymen from all parts of New England and Canada, including Rev. L. C. Bodard of St. Louis church, this city and Rev. Antoine Amyot, O.M.I., of St. Joseph's church.

The officiating clergyman at the mass of requiem, which was celebrated at 10 o'clock, was Rev. Bishop of A. Guerin, D. D., of Manchester, N. H., who was assisted by Rev. J. H. Chevalier of Manchester and Rev. J. H. Riley of New Market as deacons of honor. Rev. Matthew O'Rourke of Nashua acted as deacon, while the sub-deacon was Rev. J. J. Richard, also of Nashua. Rev. J. E. Buckley of Manchester was master of ceremonies. During the service all the stores of Nashua were closed and peacefully all business was suspended throughout the city.

POTATOES TAKE PRICE TUMBLE IN MAINE

DROP FROM \$9 A BARREL TO \$6 AT FORT FAIRFIELD—PHILADELPHIA DEALER HAS 100,000 BBL.

FORT FAIRFIELD, Me., Feb. 27.—Potatoes have taken a sudden and unexpected tumble in price since Saturday and the farmers who expected a \$9 a barrel for their tubers found that it was the lowest price offered by the local dealers. The reason is that shipping facilities to Boston and New York are not adequate, and the dealers are not willing to pay the pennance price without the surety of sale at the same advance in the large cities. As a result the farmers have not been hauling in their potatoes in such quantities as heretofore.

In Houlton, only a few miles away, the shipping facilities were normal and there was no need to lower in price, only the effect of this action, cut reducing the price to \$5 for a barrel. A Philadelphia dealer who has 10,000 barrels stored here reported that he expected potatoes to reach \$5 a bushel to larger cities.

MATRIMONIAL

Frank Ferrin and Miss Thelma Knight were married Saturday evening at the residence of the bride's parents, the church in Billerica by Rev. John Pate.

20 KILLED

(Continued)

that all those within the sleeper were made prisoners. The train crew and uninjured passengers were unable to reach them to save and to any that might have escaped death. The wreck blocked the tracks and caused a suspension of traffic for several hours.

14 Bodies Recovered

All of those killed were in the sleeping car which was telescoped.

An official of the Pennsylvania railroad said the list of dead may exceed 20 as 14 bodies have been recovered and at least six are known to be dead in the wreck.

At this time the railroad company is inclined to place the blame for the wreck on the engine of the freight, A. T. Cook, of Harrisburg. It was his duty, said an official, to get off his engine, walk ahead and look at a signal in case of fog rather than run past it.

Whole Family Killed

Chester A. Minds, who with his family was killed, was a coal operator in the Chesterfield region of Pennsylvania. He was traveling to Utica, N. Y., to attend the funeral of his wife's father. Minds was a football star on the University of Pennsylvania team and a brother of John H. Minds, a Philadelphia attorney, famous years ago as captain of the Pennsylvania team.

Express 12 Minutes Late

The express is said to have arrived at Mount Union station 12 minutes late.

THE LIST OF DEAD

The list of the identified dead follows:

CHESTER A. MINDS, 25 years old, Baines, Pa.

MRS. DOUGLAS MINDS, 25, his wife.

CHESTER A. MINDS, Jr., their infant son, two weeks old.

MISS MATTIE MINDS, 25, Conifer, N. C., sister of Mr. Minds.

M. A. CASTLEBUSH, Conifer, N. Y., a brother-in-law of Mrs. Minds.

MRS. A. E. DILLON, Cleveland; Mrs. Mable Dill.

RICHARD OWEN, 7, Rochester, N. Y., nephew and niece of Mr. Minds.

CHARLES LEVINE, 35, New York.

D. E. COLLARD, New York.

MILTON HAMES, New York.

N. BRIGGS, colored porter.

J. S. KELLEY, Brooklyn.

N. A. ROEBLEK, Prattville, Wis.

L. W. MONTGOMERY, Bloomington, Ill.

P. R. FANNING, Michigan.

SUCCESS FOR FRENCH TROOPS

PARIS, Feb. 27.—"Southeast of Verdun we entered the German lines and captured with prisoners," says today's official announcement. "There was no paired engagements in the region of Beaumont and in the Vosges. Elsewhere calm prevails."



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SAGE OF CONCORD LAID AT REST AT CONCORD

BODY OF FRANK B. SANBORN LAID AT REST IN SLEEPY HOLLOW CEMETERY

BOSTON, Feb. 27.—The body of Frank B. Sanborn, the Sage of Concord, and the last of the old abolitionists, was laid at rest yesterday afternoon in Sleepy Hollow cemetery, following simple church services in the First Baptist church of Concord. Immediate relatives and a few friends attended the services, which were conducted by the Rev. Loren B. Macdonald, the pastor, assisted by the Rev. Benjamin H. Bulkeley, a former pastor, and close friend of Mr. Sanborn. General Charles K. Darling was in charge of the funeral arrangements and met the funeral party, which arrived with the body from Westfield, N. J., yesterday morning.

The funeral services were very simple. The immediate family attending included Mr. Sanborn's two sons, Victor and Francis B. Sanborn, who accompanied the body from New Jersey; his sister, Mrs. Josephine Leavitt; Caroline and Louise Sanborn and Louise and Ariana Walker, nieces.

POTATOES DESTROYED
BANGOR, Me., Feb. 27.—Six carloads of potatoes were destroyed in a freight wreck on the Bangor & Aroostook railroad Sunday night, being derailed in a deep cut in the Medford cut-off, blocking the line until late yesterday.

The cars were badly smashed, 150 barrels of potatoes being practically a total loss, frozen, crushed and buried in the snow and ice. The potatoes were worth \$4 a barrel or more. The loss on rolling stock will be approximately \$10,000.

A broken car wheel caused the wreck. No one was injured.

OVER 42,000 MILES OF FILM EXPORTED
NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—More than 42,000 miles of motion picture films were exported from the United States during 1916, according to figures issued here yesterday by the foreign trade department of the National City bank.

Of this 39,000 miles were "exported" films ready to be used, containing mainly plays, travel pictures and news photographs. The balance were unexported films, to be used in taking scenes abroad. The total value of the exported films was estimated at \$10,000,000, Great Britain being the chief purchaser.

"The United States is by far the world's largest manufacturer of motion picture films," the bank's statement says, "estimating the entire domestic production at 1,900,000 feet, with a value of approximately \$40,000,000."

MUCH STATE LAND FOR MOBILIZATION
MORE THAN 7000 ACRES ARE AVAILABLE, ADJ. GEN. PEARSON TELLS COMMITTEE

BOSTON, Feb. 27.—More than 7000 acres of land, owned by the state, would be available for mobilization points in the event of war, according to information furnished by Adj. Gen. Gardner W. Pearson to the Massachusetts commission on public safety. The plots are scattered all over the state, ranging in size from two acres to 3000 acres. They include the grounds about correction schools and other state institutions.

The Province lands at Provincetown include about 3000 acres and other large areas are at the state farm in Bridgewater, 1184 acres; the Industrial School for Boys at Shirley, 800 acres; state infirmary, Tewksbury, 740 acres, and other areas at Lakeville, Canton, North Reading, Penikese Island, Rutland, Westfield, Westborough and Lancaster.

Land also is available for mobilization, the adjutant general pointed out, at the Blue Hill reservation, Middlesex Falls division, Charles River division, and the land adjacent to Normal schools in Bridgewater, Fitchburg, Framingham, Hingham, Lowell, Salem, Westfield, Worcester and North Adams.

Totalling to the condition of military forces, Gen. Pearson informed the safety committee that the actual strength of the Massachusetts militia forces on Jan. 1 of this year was 506 officers and 9560 enlisted men, a total of 10,066, while the war strength of the state forces would be 580 officers and 14,906 men, making a total of 15,486, and showing a deficiency in the present state force of more than 4000 of actual war strength.

Many interesting facts were furnished the committee regarding the organization necessary for a complete New England infantry division, and facts to show what units are lacking in the New England states to constitute such a division.

"A full infantry division is composed of one division headquarters, nine regiments of infantry, one regiment of cavalry, a field artillery brigade, one regiment of engineers, and one aero squadron of two companies," the adjutant general reported. The various sub-divisions of the main division were explained in detail.

In the matter of infantry regiments, the state together have one battalion and one company more than needed. They are deficient in the cavalry army by supply and machine gun troops, and lack entirely the regiment of engineers and aero squadron. Of the signal troops required, Massachusetts has one complete battalion. New Hampshire has one separate company, and Connecticut one separate company, an excess of two separate companies.

"It would seem to me that the most important measure to be taken at once," the adjutant general informed the committee, "should be to provide ample funds for fully equipping the National Guard at its maximum strength. It seems to me that provision for the organization of depot battalions should be made at once and the necessary excess equipment should be provided and should be stored at the state arsenal now, rather than to wait until an emergency arises."

ASK PREFERENCE FOR NATIONAL GUARDSMEN
ADJ. GEN. PEARSON AND SPANISH WAR VETERANS APPEAR IN FAVOR OF BILL

BOSTON, Feb. 27.—The bill to grant a 5 per cent. preference in civil service examinations to members of the National Guard who have taken part in a war or insurrection, including those who went to the Mexican border last summer, was given a hearing yesterday afternoon by the legislative committee on public service.

Albert B. Jones, chairman of the legislative committee of the Spanish War Veterans, urged the committee to place the Spanish war veterans on the same footing as the veterans of the Civil war. He appealed to the patriotism of the legislature to reward the men who had sacrificed their positions and offered their lives in 1898 and in 1916 during the trouble with Mexico.

He admitted that under the existing bill some 6000 men who saw service on the Mexican border would be included.

Adj. Gen. Pearson favored the measure as a stimulant to enlistments. "A soldier is as valuable a man to the country as a policeman or fireman, and to get soldiers to join, we have to get to hold out all inducements possible to bring men into the service," he said.

Others who spoke in favor of the measure were Mr. Kelly, John L. Liner, A. W. Morse, Richard Flynn, Charles A. Flannigan, George Nelson, Frank P. Nagel and Joseph E. Scott, all representing the Spanish War Veterans.

The measure was opposed by James M. Devlin, Jr., legislative representative of the Boston Police, Arthur H. Brooks, secretary of the Massachusetts Civil Service Association; A. S. Apsey, representing the Massachusetts Police Association, and Miss Marion C. Nichols of the Civil Service Association.

The opposition based their arguments chiefly on the point of efficiency. Mr. Devlin declared that since the Civil war veterans' preference bill had been in effect it had worked numerous hardships on department heads who were obliged to fill vacancies by appointing veterans who were often inefficient.

He declared that the proposed bill would create a wide open door to any man who has served in the army or navy whether he was qualified to fill the positions or not.

CARNEGIE HERO COMMISSION
The Carnegie hero commission has requested of the Lowell Waterways commission, full particulars concerning the heroic services rendered by the several persons who during the past year rescued children from drowning in the canals and rivers in Lowell.

The names of the men who have been recommended to the Carnegie hero commission by the waterways commission for distinguished valor the past year, are Theophilus Courtois, Edgar Ally, Michael Delahanty, Arthur Booth, Walter Richard Courtney, Jos. M. Ayotte, John J. Gildea, and Henry Jalbert.

The Waterways Commission, desires the names of the children rescued by the following persons:

Arthur Booth rescued from drowning an unknown boy in the Merrimack Canal, opposite the York Club, September 14th, 1916.

Michael Delahanty rescued an unknown boy in the Pawtucket canal, opposite the Kitson machine company, September 14th, 1916.

Henry Jalbert rescued an unknown boy January 15th, 1917.

NOT A PARTICLE OF DANDRUFF OR A FALLING HAIR
Save your hair! Double its beauty in just a few moments.

25-cent "Danderine" makes hair thick, glossy, wavy and beautiful.

Within ten minutes after an application of Danderine you can not find a single trace of dandruff or falling hair and your scalp will not itch, but what will please you most will be after a few weeks' use, when you see new hair, fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair—growing all over the scalp.

Danderine is to the hair what fresh showers of rain and sunshine are to vegetation. It goes right to the roots, invigorates and strengthens them, its exhilarating, stimulating and life-producing properties cause the hair to grow long, strong and beautiful.

A little Danderine immediately doubles the beauty of your hair. No dandruff, how dull, faded, brittle and scraggy, just moisten a cloth with Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. The effect is amazing—your hair will be light, fluffy and wavy, and have an appearance of abundance, an incomparable lustre, softness and luxuriance.

Get a 25-cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any drug store or toilet counter, and prove that your hair is as pretty and soft as any—thick, it has been neglected or injured by careless treatment—that all you surely can have beautiful hair and lots of it if you will just try a little Danderine.

PEACHBLOOM SATIN corded around the bottom and overlying with a beautiful shadow lace shawl makes a fetching negligee. The free waist is adorned with a wreath of tiny pink berries, like a branch in the sap.

Flags at Half Staff for F. B. Sanborn
TRIBUTE TO SAGE OF CONCORD—TEACHERS' RELIGIOUS BILL PASSED TO THIRD READING

BOSTON, Feb. 27.—Flags at the state house will be kept at half-staff for the next three days in memory of Frank B. Sanborn, sage of Concord, who was buried at Concord yesterday.

Resolutions to this effect were passed by the house of representatives yesterday afternoon, on motion of Representative Edwin of Lynn.

The bill to prohibit school committees from asking prospective teachers questions relative to religious beliefs, which had been passed through one reading last week, came up for debate yesterday on an amendment of Mr. Beardsley of Boston, who voted for the bill last week, but whose amendment would permit asking candidates for positions questions "relative to the belief in a Supreme Being."

The amendment was lost, 27 to 53, and the bill was passed to a third reading.

Reconsideration was refused on the bill providing that employees of clubs be paid weekly.

A bill to put employees of the state treasurer's and auditor's departments under the civil service, favorably reported from committee, was defeated, 19 to 52.

The house admitted a petition for a street railway parallel with the Cape Cod Canal.

Committee reports received included: Municipal Finance—Bill allowing the city of Lawrence to appropriate \$100,000 outside the debt limit for completing the Central grammar school; also one of \$425,000 outside the debt limit for a new high school building.

Public Lighting—Leave to withdraw petition of Joseph McGrath for valuation of the property of the Edison Electric Illuminating company of Boston and of the Boston Consolidated Gas company.

Social welfare—Bill providing for a meal hour of at least 45 minutes for all women employed in factories under 18 years of age.

John P. Carr for the retirement of janitors of public schools. Senator Wilson dissents.

Banks and Banking—Leave to withdraw petition of the Fitchburg Co-operative bank for an increase in the amount which co-operative banks may invest in real estate.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL
There was a big attendance at the regular meeting of Gen. Adelbert Ames and Sons of Veterans, in Memorial hall last night. An invitation was received to attend the meeting of James A. Garfield Relief Corps on March 8. During the course of the evening Past Commander A. D. Mitchell presented the camp a picture of the officers who had charge of the camp during 1916.

Comrade George E. Worthen donated a prize cup made from a three-foot Russian shell. Among the visitors present were State Senior Vice Commander Heatter, State Junior Vice Commander Duxzel, Assistant Department Adjutant C. J. Clauganag, Patriotic Instructor Woolbridge and Department Commander John J. Linell.

Chandler presided over the meeting. The Military Order of the Serpent held a meeting Saturday night in Marchant's hall. Many visitors from Lynn were on hand.

The regular meeting of Loyal Integrity Lodge, I.O.O.F., M. U., was held last night, Noble Grand Frederick C. M. Silk presiding. There was a large attendance and considerable routine business was transacted. Committee reports were presented and they proved to be of a favorable nature.

The blue degree was conferred upon two brothers, after which an interesting talk on the work of the fish and game commission was given by J. B. Livingston, a member of that body, he having been invited to do so at a previous meeting.

The staff association held its regular meeting at the same place Sunday.

Today's Fashion Hint
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Don't Neglect Kidneys
Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Prescription, Overcomes Kidney Trouble

It is now conceded by physicians that the kidneys should have more attention as they control the other organs to a remarkable degree and do a tremendous amount of work in removing the poisons and waste matter from the system by filtering the blood.

The kidneys should receive some assistance when needed. We take less exercise, drink less water, and often eat more rich, heavy food, thereby forcing the kidneys to do more work than nature intended. Evidence of kidney trouble, such as lame back, annoying bladder troubles, smarting or burning, backache or sediment, swollen complexion, rheumatism, maybe weak or irregular heart action, warns you that your kidneys require help in order to avoid more serious trouble.

An ideal herbal compound that has had most remarkable success as a kidney and bladder remedy is Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root. There is nothing else like it. It is Dr. Kilmer's prescription used in private practice and it is sure to benefit you. Get a bottle from your druggist.

However, if you wish first to test this great preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Rindge, N. H., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure and mention The Lowell Sun.

much increased, and included some visitors from Waverley Lodge. Among the latter was Mr. Frank Bowles, who sang several songs during the opening social hour. The officers for the present six months were installed by P. G. Lee MacKenzie, assisted by Brother Roland Beanson as conductor, as follows: President, Thomas M. Smith, vice president, William Hudson, treasurer, A. W. Henderson; secretary, Edward T. Mackley. President Smith officiated at the piano in a most capable manner as the treasurer was being installed, the latter being unable to act as pianist and be installed at the same time.

Four new members joined the association. A long and intricate drill was conducted by N. G. Fred C. M. Silk and V. P. William Hudson. The next meeting will be held in Knecampment hall, Odd Fellows' Temple, Sunday morning, March 11. Elevator service, 10 a. m. to 11 a. m.

At the next meeting of the lodge proper, Monday, March 12, a large class of new members is to be initiated.

SAYS FOREIGNERS KNOW OUR NAVAL SECRETS
A sensation was caused in Washington by the revelation of Rear Admiral Robert S. Griffin, engineer in chief of the navy, that the plans for the new battleship cruisers have reached foreign governments.

So seriously is the situation viewed that congress will be asked to pass a law of initiation was formed Sunday afternoon when representatives of committees from Courts Merrimack, Middlesex, Dismal and Champlain met.

Sub Chief Ranger Henry O'Donnell of Court Champlain was the presiding officer and the following officers were chosen for the degree team: Chief Ranger Henry O'Donnell, Sub Chief Ranger Thomas F. Kelley, Past Chief Ranger Henry Dupree, Lecturer Francis Murphy, Capt. Joseph Lorrain, Sentinel James J. Dunn and the remaining officers were selected from the different representatives present.

A rehearsal of the committee work and floor movement was gone through under the supervision of Director J. W. Sharkey and was carried out in a manner that reflected great interest among those present. During the meeting, remarks of interest were made by James J. Dunn, Thomas F. Kelley, John Condon, Henry Dupree, James H. Hillard and Chairman O'Donnell.

It was voted to hold the next regular meeting on Sunday, March 4, at 2:30 o'clock. At the close of the meeting, literary exercises were held and a most enjoyable entertainment was given by the Foresters of America Glue club.

HURRAH! How's This
Cincinnati authority says corn dries up and lifts out with fingers.

Hospital records show that every time you cut a corn you invite lockjaw or blood poison, which is needless, says a Cincinnati authority, who tells you that a quarter ounce of a drug called freezone can be obtained at little cost from the drug store but is sufficient to rid one's feet of every hard or soft corn or callus.

You simply apply a few drops of freezone on a tender, aching corn and soreness is instantly relieved. Shortly the entire corn can be lifted out, root and all, without pain.

This drug is sticky but dries at once and is claimed to just shrivel up any corn without inflaming or even irritating the surrounding tissue or skin.

If your corns or high heels will be glad to know of this.

21 AIR ATTACKS MADE ON VENICE
VENICE, Feb.—Venice has been attacked from the air 21 times since the beginning of the war. The first bombardment took place the day war was declared. All the attacks have been by aeroplanes. The number of visits was eight in 1915 and 13 in 1916.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SOCIETY
The annual reunion of the Christian Endeavor societies of the city and surrounding towns was held last evening at the Y.M.C.A. The event was attended by more than 400 Endeavorers and the entire building was given over to their pleasure. The assembly halls were decorated with streamers and lights and games were enjoyed throughout the evening.

The reunion was in charge of the

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